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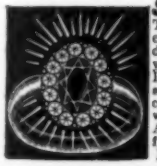

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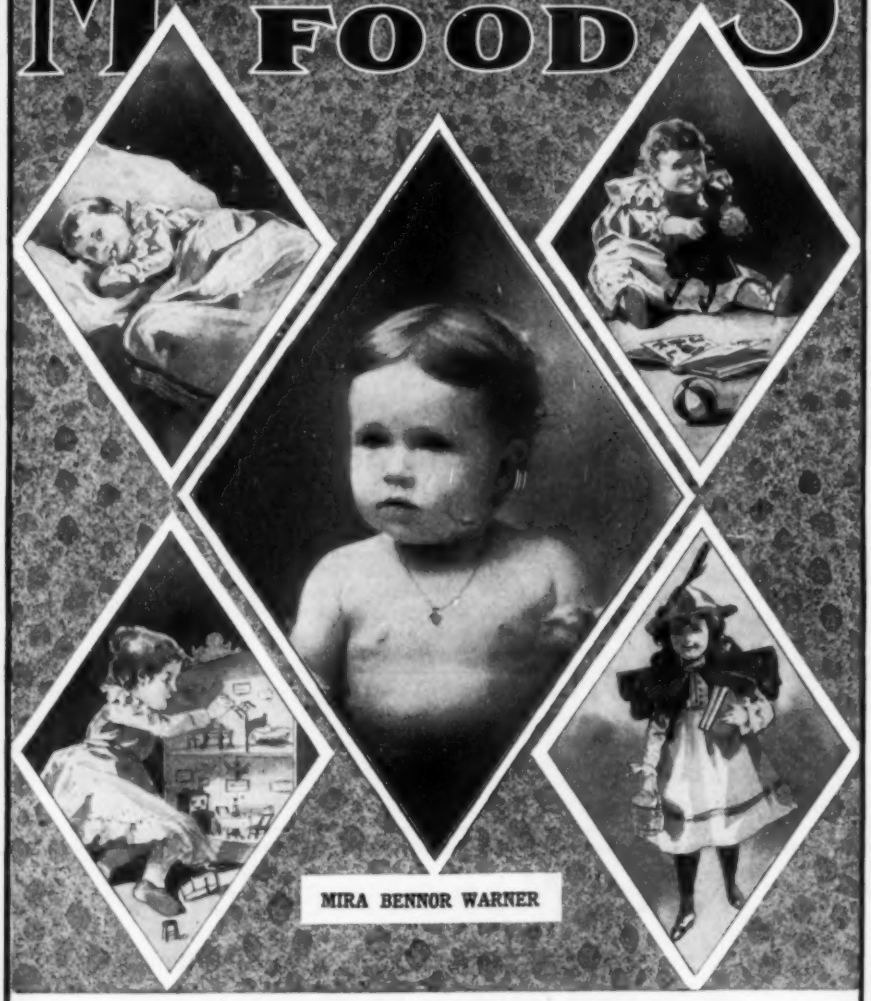

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Spring Millinery.

LACE, net, mousseline de soie and all soft and transparent materials are to be decidedly the thing in millinery this spring. Importers are showing the most delightful of Paris toques and bonnets of shirred tulle, net or draped mousseline de soie, as shown in the lovely model illustrated on this page. This jaunty toque combines the French *chic* and smartness with a softness and daintiness that are simply irresistible. The medium round shape employed comes down well over the forehead, a style most becoming to the present mode of hairdressing. It is entirely covered with white mousseline de soie, draped softly over the crown and brought in artistic folds around the brim. A big bunch of pale yellow roses is arranged prettily on the left side and falls over the dark hair of the wearer. A handsome rhinestone and jet buckle holds in place the long white Paradise plumes that give height to the hat.

Plainly trimmed millinery is a thing of the past. This is a season of elaboration and rather fussy—but charming for all that—shirred and draped effects. Medium round shapes and toques are to be more popular than large hats, especially for early spring wear, although, of course, big hats will be, as they always are, worn to some extent in mid-summer.

Some of the very smartest of the new hats are made of fancy braids. Narrow braids are used sewed together, forming entire shapes, or rolled and corded into a variety of toques and smaller effects. Very broad pieces, plateaus and wide braids made up to eighteen inches in width are used to make whole hats, as well as crowns, and to form rolls for edges of the brims, and are draped into crowns.

A PARIS HAT.

Tuscan fancy straws with loops of the fine French and Swiss fancy braids are much in vogue for the puffed crowns and the very much bent and twisted small affairs which are to be largely worn.

Quantities of flowers are to be used as trimmings, and of these, roses are prime favorites. A new rose has been introduced from Paris which is very fetching. It is the chou or cabbage rose, flat on top and showing many convolutions of the petals inside—very much like the large rosettes which are so fashionable in malines, velvets and chiffons. This rose, which is being lavishly used by fashionable milliners, is going to be a striking point of the novel flower effects of the season.

There are also beautiful gauzy leaves, with moss surfaces—rose foliage mostly—and many other ideas which are light yet extremely rich. The favored flowers are roses first, then lilacs, violets, hyacinths and forget-me-nots. Wild flowers, such as bleuets, etc., will be utilized later in the more summery styles.

Any flower having the rounded effect of the pompon will be greatly used this season. This style of trimming, whether in flowers, ribbons, silk, tulle, or mousseline has been very popular in Paris and New York during the winter, and will continue its vogue during the spring and summer.

Huge picture hats of plain and fancy straws, trimmed with great branches of roses or nodding ostrich plumes, are to be worn when summer really arrives. These hats, if one may judge by the advance models, are most artistic and will be most smart and becoming, provided that they are made of rich materials; if economy is an object, by all means, buy a small hat or toque, it does not "give itself away," as a big hat always does, when made of cheap goods and trimmed with inferior flowers.

BETTY MODISH.

The World of Fashion.

AN embarrassment of riches greets the eye this season. So lavish and varied are the offerings of Dame Fashion that in attempting to describe them one is for a moment bewildered and wonders hopelessly with what to commence.

SHIRT WAISTS.

Well, suppose we begin with shirt waists, those useful garments that appeal to rich and poor alike. Every year there comes the rumor that these waists are going out of fashion, and every year they grow more and more popular. This season will be no exception to the rule. Many stunning novelties have been already brought out. The sleeves are being finished in several new ways, in many cases similar to the styles worn by men and cut perpendicularly where the patterns are striped. These shirt waists are made to wear with coats and the new Eton jackets.

Shirt waists appear in every variety and pattern of cotton and linen materials, and some of the linen styles are made with link cuffs, sometimes with collar attached, but in the majority of instances are left with bands upon which the collar may be fitted.

All white waists are to be greatly worn. They are trimmed with lace insertions, usually Valenciennes, are bordered on each side with clusters of hemstitching, either genuine or in effect, clusters of tucks, sometimes ruffled and shirred effects, the cloth being cut diagonally and forming most artistic and stylish garments at low prices.

NEW IDEAS IN SKIRTS.

Every day or so a new skirt is brought out. Skirts of every variety fit closely over the hips; not that the ideas will be plain, on the contrary, every skirt will be pleated or gathered. The question of skirts is absolutely settled in the direction of pleats, with the exception of golf, rainy-day and some plain-tailored effects.

The new skirts, of course, are suited to the lighter-weight materials, plain heavy cloths or double-face materials being confined to very simple cuts for hard wear.

Box-pleated backs, the rest of the skirt being comparatively plain, appear in endless variety of single, double, triple and even quadruple pleats. By this is meant that the fabric is folded four times upon itself in making the edges of the pleat.

LACE WRAPS.

Many lace and chiffon capes are being shown, and the summer wrap will apparently be revived in greater force than for many years past. Great quantities of pleated chiffon and *crepe de Chine* are going to be used as linings for lace pieces, in points or cut out in dolman shape, of which these wraps are formed. All summer wraps will be of the very lightest and gauziest type. Appliqués of white lace on black or colored velvet, embossed flowers on cream or black all-over nets, and the addition of much narrow puffed mousseline and chiffon, will be used for trimmings.

LADIES' COSTUME.

Waist, 5920—Skirt, 5918.

Plaid woolen in warm shades of brown and tan combined with velvet and plain woolen material made this stylish and pretty costume. The bodice is cut with a graceful fichu effect of the plaid, trimmed with a shaped ripple of plain material. A long shield-piece of velvet, finished by a high collar, with flaring points on each side, forms a vest effect in the front. The back of the bodice is in one piece and has its slight fulness pleated into the waist-line. The fichu falls over the shoulders in a very graceful and pretty fashion. The sleeves are cut with the usual shaped under-arm piece and trimmed at the wrists by natty cuffs of velvet. The modish draped skirt is made with a long tunic of the plaid over a circular flounced foundation skirt. The tunic is edged with a shaped ripple.

No. 5920.—Ladies' Shirt Waist (with Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 3¾ yards material 22 inches wide, 2⅜ yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅛ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; silk represented, 1 yard; velvet, ¾ yard. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

No. 5918.—Ladies' Draped Skirt (with Circular Flounced Foundation Skirt), requires for medium size, 4½ yards material 22 inches wide, 3 yards 36 inches wide, or 2¼ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 4½ yards; silk, 4¾ yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 3½ yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.

McCall Bazar Patterns—Waist, 5920—Skirt, 5918

WAIST.—Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.
SKIRT.—Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure.

LADIES' COSTUME.

Jacket Wrap, 5952—Skirt, 5941.

The pretty young lady in our illustration is wearing one of the new jacket wraps of black satin and a handsome skirt of gray broadcloth. The jacket wrap, which forms a very stylish and effective outdoor garment for either young or elderly ladies, is sleeveless and cut in Eton jacket effect. The fronts are extended in long points, beneath which are added tabs that fall gracefully over the skirt and are prettily trimmed with white lace appliqué. At the bust the garment is turned away in broad pointed revers, faced with white all-over lace. A high flaring collar, trimmed to correspond, finishes the neck. Satin, moiré, Ottoman silk, velvet, broadcloth, etc., are suitable materials to use for this design. The modish skirt is cut with nine gores and is box-pleated to just below the knees. Its back fulness is arranged in under-turning pleats on either side of the closing.

No. 5952.—Ladies' Jacket Wrap, requires for medium size, 3 yards material 22 inches wide, 1⅝ yards 40 inches wide, or 1⅛ yards 52 inches wide. Silk lining required, 1¾ yards; all-over lace represented, ¾ yard; lace appliqué, ¾ yard. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.

Price, 15 cents.

No. 5941.—Ladies' Nine-Gored Box-Pleated Skirt, requires for medium size, 11½ yards material 22 inches wide, 7½ yards 36 inches wide, or 6¾ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 6½ yards; velvet ribbon represented, 1½ yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 5⅞ yards. Cut in 6 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32 inches waist measure.

Price, 15 cents.

McCall Bazar Patterns—Jacket Wrap, 5952—Skirt, 5941

JACKET WRAP.—Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.
SKIRT.—Cut in 6 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32 inches waist measure.

See description in opposite column.

New Silk Waists for Spring.

THE silk waist has certainly come to stay, and as it is one of the prettiest and most becoming of styles to all women, plump or slender, we may well rejoice thereat.

The very latest novelties in this line are waists made from the large fringed silk handkerchiefs that the fashionable shops are importing in great numbers for the fine trade.

These handkerchiefs are about the size of a gentleman's muffler, and, if made up with a vest or yoke of another material, are plenty large enough for a fancy bodice.

Tucks, small box-pleats, some cordings, and many new accordion-pleated suggestions in the finish of sleeves and vest effects are seen in the new season's productions. Plain taffetas and *peau de soies* in the new pastel tints, as well as the ordinary colorings, are popular for waists. New designs in collars, are displayed and, by the way, in silk waists there are sleeves of two varieties being shown.

The sleeves of silk waists are either cut in shirt style, or have the dress finish.

There is quite a fashion of flaring cuffs and pieces set on in form of a cuff, much stitched and many of them in narrow knife-pleated, fan-like effects. Novel guimpe effects of all-over lace or embroidery, with the lower portion of the waist of plainer fabrics, tucked and pleated, are quite the rage.

Many beautiful and elaborate waists are being made of lace all-overs, silk lined, or sometimes with linings of thin white goods; others are composed of cut-out and braided taffeta silks; more extravagant styles still are of net over-silk with the appliqués on the net of taffeta, braid edged. Light weight French flannels, are being made up into shirt waists for spring and cool days in summer. The very prettiest of these are striped.

Fashionable Fads.

THE new pulley belts are decidedly the proper thing, as they make the waist look slender and shapely and dispense entirely with buckles, of which many of us have grown tired. They are made of satin or taffeta, boned slightly in the back and with a stout ring on either side of the front through which ribbons are run as the straps are in a man's cinch belt.

BLACK net gowns, profusely trimmed with narrow satin ribbon, are most useful, as they may be varied by colored linings and trimmings. Very effective is a gown of black net, with five to seven small flounces, run with satin baby ribbon, and the bodice trimmed with an open band of jet, through which ribbon may be run. Several frills should also adorn this bodice, edged in the same way with the ribbon, and it can be worn over a black slip, and the neck and sleeves left transparent.

Especially for Dressmakers.

DRESSMAKING was never a more difficult art than it is at present. Even ordinary gowns rival the Paris "creation" of a year or two back in point of elaborateness, while our best toilettes are fearfully and wonderfully made. Once upon a time only three or four new models were brought out each season and ladies were well content with these; but we have changed all that, and now the field of fashion is so vast that, in reality, within certain limits, we may wear what we like, as long as we form a pleasing vision to the eyes of the world. To be sure, certain models are more seen than others, but the society woman ever wants novelty. This craving for novelty is very trying to the inventors of new fashions, and they cannot create quickly enough to satisfy their clients, who are always asking for "something new." Fortunately there are so many "creators" of new fashions now, in Paris, Vienna, London and New York that we are rarely without some little novelty wherewith to make our sisters jealous. Every great New York dressmaker, also, keeps a reserve of new ideas to be brought forward only when absolutely needed, and hence the little surprises which fall upon us from time to time.

Lace is to be greatly in evidence on all the spring gowns. A stunning toilette of castor light-weight broadcloth is made with a broad flare of velvet around the bottom of the skirt, above this is a band of white lace appliqué about ten inches in width. The bodice is draped across the bust and partially concealed beneath a lace bolero, opening in the front. The sleeves are of velvet with tiny pointed cuffs of lace.

A particularly smart trimming for woolen gowns consists of applications of taffeta forming a design, the edge of the silk being whipped and slightly drawn, imparting a raised appearance. Very elaborate patterns are formed in this manner, and either encircle the hem of the skirt or form a separate motive on each gore. This style of garniture is usually of the color of the dress material, although it is often seen in a different shade, and sometimes white or black.

A lovely tailor costume is of the palest gray cloth. It is made with the usual tight skirt, trimmed at the bottom with a shaped flare, on which are rows upon rows of wavy stitching in white silk. The jacket is longer than usual, and is stitched round like the flare. The waist worn with this is of pale blue tucked satin.

Fringe is evidently with us for quite an extended visit. It is being prepared in large quantities for spring and summer, and even laces with fringed edges will be extensively used on summer gowns. Innumerable narrow silk fringes will be used for draperies, flounces, bodices, garnitures, etc. These fringes will vary from the merest suggestion of a quarter of an inch on the ribbons, through the various widths and processes of manufacture—simple, twisted, knotted and tinseled—to the very widest depths.

McCall Bazar Patterns—Jacket, 5922—Shirt, 5923.

For description see opposite column.

LADIES' COSTUME.

Jacket, 5922—Skirt, 5923.

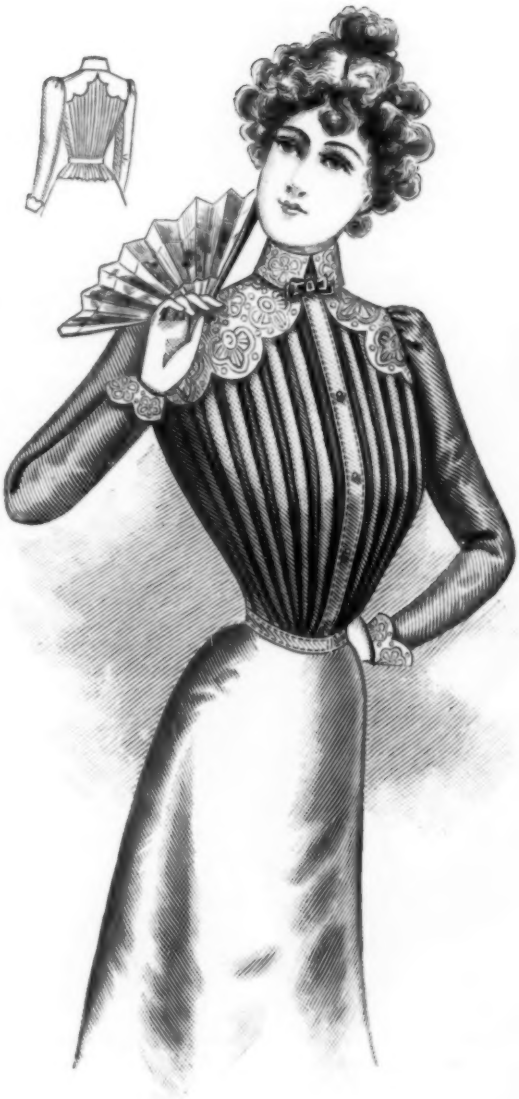
This stylish calling costume consists of an extremely natty jacket and a skirt cut in the very latest mode. Cheviot of a new blue shade was employed for our model, but broadcloth, covert, tweed or almost any heavy woolen material may be substituted for its development if desired. The jacket is made with double-breasted fronts, fastening on the left side with loops and buttons. The neck is turned away in the usual V shape and completed by a novel and pretty collar and lapels of velvet, slashed into pointed scallops in the front. The sleeves have but slight fulness at the shoulders and are finished in tailor fashion at the wrists with rows of stitching. The bottom of the jacket is cut in deep points back and front and is short on the hips. The handsome ckirt is cut in circular shape and is fitted closely on the hips by darts. At the foot of the skirt are placed two flares, (as the new circular flounces with very little fulness are called), of cloth of a darker shade than the skirt material. The back has its fulness arranged in two box-pleats.

No. 5922.—Ladies' Jacket, requires for medium size, 4¼ yards material 24 inches wide, 2½ yards 40 inches wide, or 1⅞ yards 52 inches wide. Silk lining required, 3¼ yards; velvet represented, ⅝ yard; silk cord, ½ yard; buttons, 6. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.

Price, 15 cents.

No. 5923.—Ladies' Circular Skirt (having Flaring Flounces), requires for medium size, 4¼ yards material 22 inches wide, 3⅝ yards 36 inches wide, or 3½ yards 40 inches wide. Material required for flounces, 7 yards 22 inches wide, 4 yards 36 inches wide, or 3⅞ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 3¾ yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 5¼ yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure.

Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5907

LADIES' SHIRT WAIST.—This dainty shirt waist is composed of fine white lawn with a yoke and cuffs of all-over embroidery. The front has its fulness laid in narrow box-pleats on either side of the stitched pleat that forms the closing. The yoke is slashed away in the centre, back and front, and has stylishly scalloped edges. The sleeves are cut with shaped under-arm pieces and finished at the wrists by rolling cuffs of all-over embroidery. At the neck is a modish turn-down collar.

No. 5907.—Ladies' Shirt Waist (with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 4¼ yards material 22 inches wide, 2⅝ yards 36 inches wide, or 2½ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; all-over embroidery represented, ¾ yard; buttons, 3. Cut in 7 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

LADIES' CAPE.—No. 5906.

Plain and plaid materials were employed to make this handsome cape. The pattern is cut with an upper part of the plain fabric, seamed in the centre back and fitted by darts on the shoulders. This is trimmed with a shaped circular flounce of plaid, running up the front to the neck, and fastened by three fancy bone buttons. The cape portion is fashionably stitched in a fancy design. The high flaring collar is smartly faced with plaid.

No. 5906.—Ladies' Cape, requires for medium size, 2½ yards plaid and 1¾ yards plain material 18 inches wide, 2⅜ yards plaid and 1⅝ plain material 24 inches wide, or 1¾ yards plaid and ¾ yard plain material 54 inches wide. Silk lining required, 4 yards; buttons, 3. Cut in 3 sizes, small, medium and large.

Price, 15 cents.

The Importance of Being Well Dressed.

THE question has been put to me by a man with an inquiring turn of mind as to what I consider the most potent factor in woman's success in life. Without that moment of reflection which the preacher counselled, I said "Dress." "Think again," said he. I thought, but without availing myself of my woman's privilege to change my mind. In nine cases out of ten I am convinced it is dress, and the tenth case is the exception which proves the rule. She may have beauty, but robbed of its finish it is like a jewel without setting; she may have brains, and carve herself a niche on the heights of fame, she may have goodness, and, like the beggar-maid before her, find another Cophetua to stoop and raise her to his throne. But the world has most regard to the outside of the platter. The eye is caught and transmits its impression to the mind by evidences of care and nicety, and so I say —and I say it with all sincerity, to those who desire to climb the social ladder of success—if you would have the world think well of you, show by your toilette that you think well of yourself.

A becoming gown plays an important part in modern life, it is the sartorial weapon of the clever woman. When she exercises that tyranny of tears, before which the mildest and kindest of men feel themselves despicable brutes, it is always in a well-fitting gown.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5906

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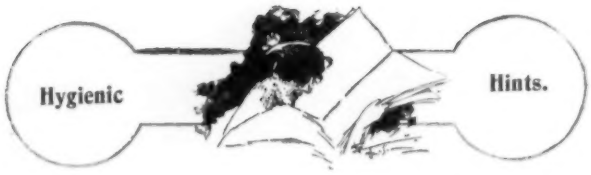

"HOW do you manage to look so fresh and bright all the time?" is a question often asked me by my friends. One of them declares she is "always a hollow-eyed, pale-faced wreck" by spring. My secret is a very simple one—just obedience to the rules of hygiene and to the dictates of common sense. I have also experimented with various specifics until I have discovered the most beneficial.

There is, however, one single rule to which there is no exception. To acquire and preserve a good complexion, perfect health and perfect hygiene are indispensable. The skin, penetrated by countless channels which expel the waste elements of the body, must be daily cleansed from its excretions by a soap bath. Simple bathing does not suffice, as plain water will not remove oily secretions.

Every morning I wash quickly from head to foot in warm water, with a loofah and plenty of good soap,—avoid the cheap, highly-scented kinds if you value your looks,—then I step into a cold bath with a little violet ammonia added to soften the water, cleanse the pores, and make the bath more refreshing,—sponge rapidly all over, and dry with brisk rubbing, using moderately rough Turkish towels. In winter I substitute a tepid bath for the cold one. Once a week a hot bath is indispensable for removing impurities from the skin, and the bather should have sufficient depth to lie at full length with the water up to her chin. In eight or ten minutes the pores will be open, and then the whole body should be well frictioned with a loofah and non-irritant soap, then immersed again for a few minutes, and finally a spongeful of cold water should be passed all over to close the pores, and prevent the possibility of taking cold. In winter it is advisable to get into bed as quickly as possible after the hot bath. A handful or two of sea salt increases the beneficial effect of the bath.

Change of underwear is very important as a means of beauty. One should not wear the same vest and lingerie on successive days, but use two sets a week, at least, on alternate mornings, letting the others be exposed to the air all day. Fine wool or silk, or a mixture of the two, should be worn next the skin in winter; and in hot weather a clean vest should be donned every morning by those who perspire much, as, if not, there is danger of the excretions from the skin being re-absorbed.

Dear me, I am inflicting quite a hygienic preachment upon you, but you must forgive me, for a good complexion depends so much on cleanliness, that one can hardly lay too much stress on the importance of daily "soap and water." Fresh air and exercise are equally necessary. The bedroom window should be open a couple of inches at the top in winter, and more in summer; and heavy bedclothes and thick cotton counterpanes should be avoided. A light eiderdown coverlet will give ample warmth in winter, and an india-rubber hot-water bottle is a comfort to sufferers from cold feet.

As to diet, the best rule is to live as plainly as possible. Half the pasty complexions one sees are due to errors in diet. Thin women should drink plenty of (boiled) milk, cocoa instead of tea, eating bread, fat meat, potatoes, vegetables and sweets. Women inclined to put on too much flesh should drink very little, avoiding milk, sugar, bread, potatoes, soup, etc.

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McCall Bazar Patterns—Jacket, 5950—Skirt, 5910

JACKET.—Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.
SKIRT.—Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure.

See description in opposite column.

LADIES' COSTUME.

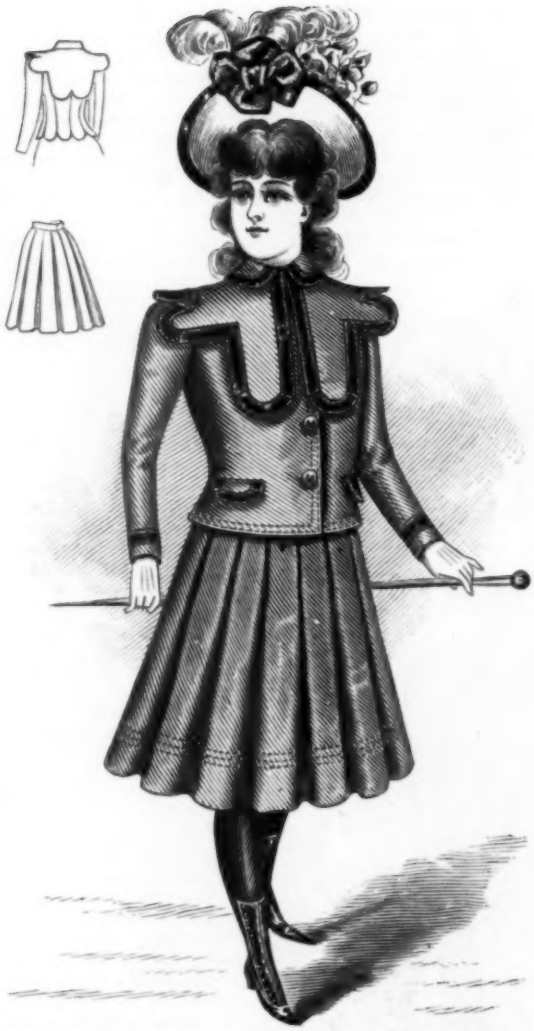
Jacket, 5950—Skirt, 5910.

A very pretty and comfortable indoor toilette, consisting of a smart tea jacket and graceful skirt, is shown in our illustration. Blue China silk was the material used for the jacket, but cashmere, challie, taffeta, wash fabrics, etc., can be substituted if desired. The garment is made with a fitted back, cut with the usual seams, and has loose coat fronts on either side of a long tucked vest of the material. From the bust start the novel silk tabs that are belted in at the waist-line and fall gracefully over the skirt. The big collar is handsomely shaped and richly trimmed with lace edging and insertion. A delightful high tucked collar, with the top left free to form a soft ruffle, completes the neck of the vest. The sleeves have but little fulness at the shoulders and are trimmed at the wrists with insertion and frills of lace. The skirt worn with this jacket is cut in one piece, with its back fulness turned over to form a box-pleat, where it is seamed down the centre. Around the bottom is a shaped circular flounce. At the hips the fulness is gathered.

No. 5950.—Ladies' Tea Jacket, requires for medium size, 4¼ yards material 22 inches wide, 2½ yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅜ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; silk represented, 1⅝ yards; lace, 6½ yards; insertion, 6 yards. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.

Price, 15 cents.

No. 5910.—Ladies' One-Piece Skirt (with Shaped Circular Flounce), requires for medium size, 10½ yards material 22 inches wide, 7⅛ yards 36 inches wide, or 6¾ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 5 yards; insertion represented, 9 yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around botton, 5 yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Patterns—Jacket, 5939—Skirt, 5911

GIRLS' COSTUME.—This stylish outdoor toilette consists of a smart jacket of navy blue cheviot and a box-pleated skirt of the same material. The jacket is cut with a straight double-breasted front, fastened with a single row of buttons. Jaunty pockets, completed by satin strapped flaps, are placed just below the waist-line on either side. The neck is completed by a rolling collar and deep collarette of the material, edged with straps of black satin. The back is fitted and cut scalloped around the bottom.

No. 5939.—Girls' Jacket, requires for medium size, 2¾ yards material 24 inches wide, 1½ yards 40 inches wide, or 1¼ yards 52 inches wide. Silk lining required 3⅛ yards; velvet, ½ yard; buttons, 4. Cut in 7 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 years. Price, 15 cents.

No. 5911.—Girls' Circular Box-Pleated Skirt, requires for medium size, 4 yards material 22 inches wide, 3 yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅞ yards 40 inches wide. Cut in 7 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 years.

Price, 10 cents.

GIRL'S DRESS, No. 5925.

White challie, patterned in pink and green, was employed for this sweet little frock. The dainty bodice is gathered into the neck and falls in blouse fashion over the shaped belt at the waist. The closing is formed in the centre-back. The jaunty bolero jacket of light green silk is entirely covered with white all-over lace. This jacket is separate from the bodice and opens in the front. The full straight skirt is gathered onto the waist.

No. 5925.—Girls' Dress, requires for medium size, 4¾ yards material 22 inches wide, 2⅞ yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅝ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, ½ yard; velvet ribbon represented, 5 yards; velvet, ¼ yard; all-over lace, 1 yard; silk, 1 yard. Cut in 6 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 years.

Price, 15 cents.

Fashionable Fabrics for Spring Gowns, Shirt Waists, etc.

SILK grenadines are attractive and fashionable materials for making spring and summer gowns. They come in light and medium weights with either a fine or open mesh, in "sewing silk" or "ribbon" stripes, plain or with chenille dots, figures, etc.

Satin crepe de chene is a most beautiful, lustrous and soft material for handsome gowns. But perhaps the most attractive of all the new materials, certainly the most used by high priced dressmakers, are silk and wool crepes, plain or embroidered, and crepons with broad or small blister weaves.

Tweed, homespun, camels' hair, broadcloth and above all cheviots, in fancy checked patterns are the proper things for stylish spring walking suits and tailor gowns.

Shirt waists are year by year growing more elaborate, and this season all tastes are consulted, as the patterns range from the severest tailor-made styles to the complications of the fussiest bodices. All sorts of delightful materials are used in their manufacture, lace striped silk and linen, and fine lawn, tucked, stitched, or with open-work and feather stitching insertion, are chosen for the dressy and elaborate styles, while for the smart tailor-made or plainer varieties of shirt waists, haberdashers are employing madras in novelty designs, heavy Oxford cloths, piqués, woven and printed linens, mercerized Sea Island cotton, figured percales, and, of course, ginghams and chambrays.

Embroidered swisses are one of the most charming of the new summer materials, only, alas! they are far from cheap, but as they are intended for dressy gowns this is perhaps not so great a disadvantage, after all. Rose pink swiss, embroidered with conventional black wreaths, is most attractive and made up over a silk lining is handsome enough for any function, no matter how formal.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5925

Cut in 6 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 years.

See description in opposite column.

What to Have for Breakfast.

BREAKFAST is usually the one meal the housekeeper has the greatest difficulty in varying, and yet, with a little thought and care, many dainty and uncommon viands can be made without very much trouble and hardly any expense.

In thousands of homes breakfast is the most important meal of the day. The early morning trains take our husbands, brothers, and fathers off to their work. A good breakfast, daintily served, is more likely to tempt them—many men have capricious appetites, and a good breakfast is very necessary to them—then the same old dishes, which are served up from January to December, with no idea of change or variety.

A good way of using cold boiled potatoes left from yesterday is to warm them in boiling milk, into which a little butter, pepper, and salt have been placed, and sprinkle some finely-chopped parsley over them just before serving. A very nice dish of potatoes is made in the following way:—Butter a pie-dish, and sprinkle it with chopped onions and parsley. Take a lump of butter about the size of a walnut, melt it over the fire, when melted add a tablespoonful of flour, pour over the mixture a cup of milk, and stir over the fire till it boils. Let it become a little cold, and mix in two tablespoonfuls of grated cheese, a teaspoonful of made mustard, one whole egg, and pepper and salt to taste. Cut six cold potatoes into slices about half an inch thick, lay them in the dish, pour the sauce over, and place them in a hot oven for twenty-five minutes. Potato eggs are also much appreciated, and the recipe may not be unwelcome to some. Take some mashed potatoes, to which add some finely-chopped parsley, moisten with a little milk and a beaten egg. Form into balls, then sprinkle with flour, and roll in beaten egg and breadcrumbs, fry in hot fat until they become a light brown, serve either alone or else arranged around whatever dish is being sent in.

Tempting, inexpensive dishes made from fish are endless. Fish custards are uncommon, and most excellent. Take the remains of any cold fish, remove the bone and skin. Chop it, and slightly fill small tins (one for each person). Mix with the fish a small teaspoonful of salt and a dust of pepper. Previous to filling the tins, butter them well inside, and sprinkle over the butter some finely-chopped parsley. Make an unsweetened custard of two whole eggs and one one extra yolk to a pint of milk, beat the eggs well, add the milk, and fill up the tin with the custard. Cover the top of each with a piece of greased paper, and stand them in a pan with enough boiling water to come half-way up, and steam very slowly till set (from half an hour to three-quarters). Turn out carefully, and serve very hot, or quite cold.

Rice should also be more frequently used for a breakfast dish than it is, and a great many savory dishes may be made with it. Rice balls are excellent, and are made in the following way. Mix four ounces of mashed potatoes and the same quantity of cooked rice with the remains of ham or any meat, cut into very small pieces, add a little parsley, mixed herbs, pepper, and salt. Form into balls, roll into beaten egg and breadcrumbs, and fry a light brown.

To those who like them, tomatoes are always welcome, and many appetizing dishes can be made with them.

McCall Bazar Patterns—Basque, 5913—Skirt 5915

BASQUE.—Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.
SKIRT.—Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure.

See description in opposite column.

LADIES' COSTUME.

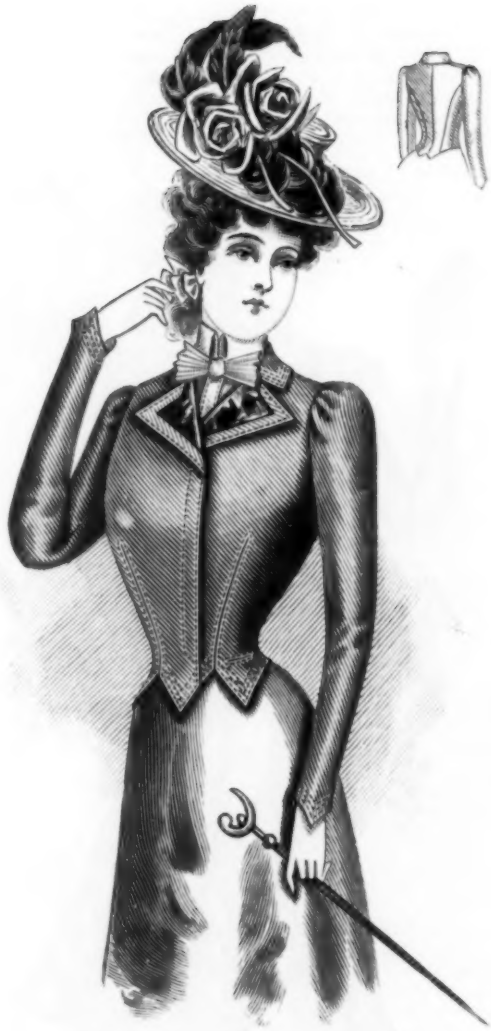
Basque, 5913—Skirt, 5915.

Pearl gray broadcloth was used to make this charming spring toilette. The novel and becoming bodice displays all the latest and most tasteful ideas of Dame Fashion. It is made with a jacket effect in the front, turned back in pointed revers on either side of a tight vest of the material, fastening in the very latest style with shaped tabs that button across on each side. The back is cut in three sharp points and fitted by the usual seams. A high flaring collar, faced with white all-over lace to correspond with the revers, completes the neck in the back, while a stitched military collar of the material finishes the vest. The sleeves show the proper amount of fulness at the shoulders and are trimmed at the wrists by jaunty pointed cuffs. The handsome skirt is made with a triple box-pleated back and has a tiny box-pleat let in for a short distance from the bottom on either side of the front gore.

No. 5913.—Ladies' Jacket Basque, requires for medium size, 2⅝ yards material 36 inches wide, 2½ yards 40 inches wide, or 2 yards 52 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; all-over lace represented, 1 yard; silk, 1 yard; buttons, 8. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

No. 5915.—Ladies' Three-Piece Skirt (with a Triple Box-Pleated Gore at the Back), requires for medium size, 8½ yards material 22 inches wide, 5⅜ yards 36 inches wide, or 5⅛ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 5½ yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 5 yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure.

Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5940

MISSES' JACKET.—This stylish jacket may be made of cheviot, broadcloth, venetian, covert, tweed, serge, or almost any material suitable for tailor gowns. Our model is of dark gray heavy ribbed Scotch cheviot with lapels faced with black satin. The pattern is cut with a tight-fitting front, buttoning invisibly under a fly and shaped by single darts. The bottom is cut off in sharp points, front and back, and is short over the hips. The neck is turned away in V shape and finished by jaunty pointed lapels and a rolling collar. The back is tight-fitting.

No. 5940.—MISSES' JACKET, requires for medium size, 2 yards material 36 inches wide, 1⅞ yards 40 inches wide, or 1½ yards 52 inches wide. Silk lining required, 2¾ yards; satin represented, ¼ yard. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

MISSES' DRESS.—No. 5945.

Pink and white organdie was the material employed for this lovely frock. The bodice is remarkably graceful and pretty and is made with a pointed yoke of pink taffeta and white all-over lace, back and front. Around this yoke is draped a novel and graceful fichu of plain white organdie, trimmed with a deep ruffle of white lace and crossing over from right to left in the front, where it is adorned with a smart bow of pink taffeta silk. A deep folded girdle of the same silk is worn about the waist. The sleeves are made with shaped under-arm pieces and are prettily trimmed at the wrists by lace and insertion. The skirt has its fulness laid in tucks to within about six inches of the bottom.

No. 5945.—MISSES' DRESS, requires for medium size, 7 yards material 22 inches wide, 4⅜ yards 39 inches wide, or 4⅛ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 4½ yards; all-over lace represented, ½ yard; silk, 2¼ yards; wide lace, 2¾ yards; lace edging, 1 yard; insertion, ¾ yard. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

A Novel Entertainment.

AN entertainment that has created a great deal of amusement lately is called the "mystery" supper. The supper is served in the evening after dancing, games, music, cards or whatever diversion has been indulged in, at the time that ordinary refreshments would be passed around. The guests must all be seated at tables and a "bill of fare" is handed to each person, whose signature must be affixed after the articles desired are marked off. The fun begins when the dishes chosen are served, and the guests discover that in many cases their refreshment is light indeed. For example, the bill of fare gives "an Oriental square," which proves to be a Japanese paper napkin, while the guest who orders "an after dinner delicacy" receives a wooden toothpick, "a product of the desert" turns out to be a sandwich, and "a gift of the gods" is coffee. Under the symbolical name of "an Arctic delight" ice cream appears, while for "Russian revels" the guest receives a cup of tea. The simple heading of "crushed cereals" reveals dainty cakes, and the bill of fare presents a long list of articles under metaphorical titles. The amusement, of course, consists in the surprising difference between the name of the article ordered and the dish as it actually appears, and a clever hostess can indefinitely enlarge her bill of fare and create much merriment among her friends.

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DO not play with the baby and the little toddlers too much. Mothers are only just beginning to understand the importance of protecting the nervous system in infancy. As a rule, the more quiet a baby is kept during the first year of its life the better chance it has for a life of health and happiness. The fact that so large a proportion of the human family die in infancy is due largely to the folly of nurses and the ignorance of mothers. Over-bright babies do not commend themselves to physicians, who know that the first year of the child's life should be spent largely in sleep.

The practice of dosing little children with powders and pills for every slight ailment is a very pernicious one. Prevention of illness is most important, but if it comes, rest in bed and judicious dieting will generally work a cure.

The so-called "bilious pills" do a thousandfold more damage to children's stomachs and bowels than any other medicinal agents, unless it be the "soothing syrups" which are constantly being advertised. The woman who quiets the crying of her baby by means of the so-called "soothing syrups" is often drugging her child with opium or some one of its salts.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5932

MISSES' SHIRT WAIST.—White lawn, all-over lace and insertion made the lovely waist shown in our illustration, but organdie, dimity, chambray, China or taffeta silk could be substituted if desired. The front has its fulness tucked in a very novel manner with three groups of tucks with ends of the material left loose to extend over the closing like jaunty tabs. The neck is cut out in V shaped and filled in by a shield piece and stock collar of all-over lace. The handsome lace-trimmed sailor collar is cut pointed in the front and square in the back. The sleeves are cut in one piece and trimmed at the wrists with rows of tucking to correspond with the front. The back of the bodice has its fulness arranged in a stylish double box-pleat.

No. 5932.—Misses' Shirt Waist (with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 4 yards material 22 inches wide, 2¾ yards 36 inches wide, or 2½ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, ⅞ yard; all-over lace represented, ⅜ yard; insertion, 2¾ yards; lace edging, 2 yards. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5942

MISSES' COSTUME.—Figured silk and all-over lace were combined to make this stylish spring gown, which is suitable for best or school wear, according to the material of which it is composed. The bodice is especially novel and pretty and displays a pointed yoke of all-over lace, back and front, bordered on either side by double bretelles, trimmed with narrow bands of white lace appliqué. Below the yoke the front fulness is laid in a triple box-pleat that narrows becomingly as it approaches the waist line. The back, where the closing is formed, has its fulness similarly arranged. The bretelles are headed by a narrow band of velvet that crosses stylishly on the bust. A shaped band collar of silk and all-over lace completes the neck. The sleeves display very little fulness at the shoulders and are cut in two sharp points at the wrists. The handsome skirt is one of the most popular of the season's models. It is cut with a double box-pleated back and has a small box-pleat running up about ten inches on either side of the front gore. It is trimmed with velvet to correspond with the bodice garnitures. Cheviot, ladies' cloth, broadcloth, plaids etc., can be used for this.

No. 5942.—Misses' Costume, requires for medium size, 8½ yards material 22 inches wide, 5¼ yards 36 inches wide, or 5 yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 5 yards; silk represented, ½ yard; all-over lace, ½ yard; velvet, ¼ yard; lace appliqué, 3½ yards. Cut in 5 sizes. 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

CHILD'S SAILOR SUIT.—No. 5921.

White piqué was used for this smart little suit, but serge, flannel, duck, galatea, etc., can be substituted if desired. The cunning little blouse is cut out in the usual V shape and filled in by a shield piece and narrow stitched band collar. Below this are two box-pleats of blue duck, stitched with white and closing stylishly with cord loops and buttons. The big sailor collar is trimmed in the same way and is slashed on the shoulders and fastened with white cord loops. The sleeves are gathered into narrow bands of duck.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5921

Cut in 6 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 years.

See description above.

No. 5921.—Child's Sailor Suit, requires for medium size 3⅞ yards material 27 inches wide, 2⅝ yards 36 inches wide, or 2½ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, ½ yard; extra plain material, ½ yard; silk cord represented, 1 yard; buttons, 17. Cut in 6 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 years. Price, 15 cents.

CHILD'S CLOAK.

No. 5924.

This handsome coat may be made of Ottoman silk, piqué, duck, cheviot, serge or any woolen material. The pattern is cut with a straight double-breasted front. The neck is finished by a tucked collar of the material edged with insertion and lace. The back is fitted and has its fulness laid in two box-pleats below the waist line. The sleeves are plain and in the usual coat style. Jaunty pockets, furnished with stitched flaps, are placed on each side of the front just below the waist-line.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5924

Cut in 6 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 years.

See description opposite.

No. 5924.—Child's Cloak, requires for medium size, 4⅝ yards material 22 inches wide, 2⅞ yards 36 inches wide, or 2¾ yards 40 inches wide. Silk lining required, 4⅛ yards; insertion represented, 1½ yards; lace edging, 2¼ yards; buttons, 4. Cut in 6 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 years.

Price, 15 cents.

CHILD'S DRESS.

No. 5916.

Dotted swiss made this sweet little frock. The tiny bodice has a blouse front laid in clusters of tucks spaced with lace insertion. The low round neck is finished by a lace trimmed bertha of a very pretty shape. The back of the bodice is trimmed with tucks and insertion. The short sleeves are shirred in mousquetaire fashion. The skirt is laid in tucks to within a few inches of the bottom.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5916

Cut in 7 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 years.

See description opposite.

No. 5916.—Child's Guimpe Dress, requires for medium size, 4½ yards material 22 inches wide, 2⅝ yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅛ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 3 yards; lace edging represented, 3¼ yards; insertion, 5 yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 years. Price, 15 cents.

CHILD'S COSTUME.

No. 5908.

This stylish box-pleated dress may be made of almost any woolen material, duck, piqué, galatea, etc. The pattern is cut with a pointed yoke or body from which the skirt is box pleated back and front. These pleats are stitched down to about half-way to the waist. The big sailor collar opens in back.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5908

Cut in 5 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 years.

See description opposite.

No. 5908.—Child's Costume, requires for medium size, 5¼ yards material 22 ins. wide, 3⅛ yards 36 ins. wide, or 2⅞ yds. 40 ins. wide. Lining required, ⅞ yd; all-over lace represented, ¼ yard; silk, ¼ yard; narrow silk fringe, 1½ yds.; gimp, 1½ yds. Cut in 5 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 years. Price, 15 cents.

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Confidential Chat.

IT is a well known fact, which, however, most of us deny, that happiness, like any other virtue, can be cultivated. This is no mere supposition. It is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. Moreover we ought to be happy, we can be just as good—usually fifty times better—if we are happy than if we are melancholy. A long face is not synonymous with piety. Happiness is our birthright, not gloom, not rigorous discomfort, but joy and sunshine. One of the best recipes for the production of happiness is a contented mind, and as a contented mind is a mind that owns something to make it contented, it behooves all of us to brighten our existences as much as possible. The way in which a certain woman of my acquaintance, accomplished her own happiness is as simple as it is advisable. She had (for no particular reason), been in the habit of wearing nothing but black. Black she discarded, substituting for it pretty and becoming colors. Then she had denied herself new books, saying that she could not afford it. But she found this was mistaken economy, a new book once in a while, and a bright magazine taken regularly cost very little and brighten life immensely. Moreover, she instituted little, cosy, comfortable teas for her friends, and for herself wrote out and practised the prescription, "A good laugh to be indulged in three times a day." She kept in her mind a stock of funny incidents and jokes to make her laugh, and three times a day, instead of drinking down a tonic medicine, administered unto herself a hearty laugh. That woman was her own best friend. Her plan was a success. Why don't you try it?

THE beautiful girl in evening dress whose charming face is shown on our cover this month, is Miss Fanchon Thompson, a much admired English actress. This picture was reproduced directly from her very latest photograph, taken by Alfred Ellis, the well known London photographer.

More About Spring Millinery.

SPRING hats and bonnets are so fascinating and so novel this year that one page of the magazine will not suffice to tell of all their beauties. Two charming examples are illustrated below. Our first picture shows the very latest novelty, the hat of stitched taffeta that is so popular and is so much admired in New York at the present moment. The wired shape is covered with pale blue taffeta adorned with fine rows of white stitching. The crown is draped and around the brim is a smart box-pleated effect of the same material. At the left side rises a bunch of white geraniums and dark green foliage, while a cluster of the blossoms nestles coquettishly against the hair at the back.

HAT OF TAFFETA SILK.
The Latest Novelty.

In fig. 2, is shown a natty hat of soft brown fancy straw, trimmed high on the left side with a draping of the straw, through which several shaded brown quills are stuck. The brim is smartly draped with heavy white lace.

Colored chip is to be fashionable for spring hats, and glacé silk, miroir and panne velvets and fancy plumage will be largely used. The long, flat arrangements of feathers, the yellow paradise plumes, with brown and yellow head, in which appears a touch of brilliant turquoise, are all used in fashionable millinery, and figure on the smartest imported toques and bonnets.

A STYLISH HAT FOR EARLY SPRING.

Reading Character by Handwriting.

A Little About the Science of Graphology.

IT is not half so easy to be deceitful nowadays as it used to be in times gone by. Everything "gives one away," the lines on the palm, the shape of the mouth, the texture of the hair, even the color of the eyes are so many signs hung out by Dame Nature to warn the world of the true character of the possessor. The very pot-hooks that we innocently learned with so many tears and tribulations in our early youth are rising up at this late day—not to call us blessed, indeed—but to proclaim by their quirks and quavers just what sort of people we really are. Now, in my opinion, all these pseudo-sciences make life scarcely worth living. Of what possible use is it to spend the best portion of a morning concocting a charming epistle to our dearest foe, whom policy forbids us to offend, if the spacing of the words, the wigglyness of the capitals and the general *tout ensemble* will at once declare us given to "tricks that are dark and ways that are vain?" We might just as well spare ourselves the trouble and exclaim with Sir Peter Teazle, "I'm called away by particular business, but I leave my character behind me."

A MODERN SIBYL.

Yet this sort of thing is the fad of the hour, and whether its deductions are true or false, graphology undoubtedly leads to a great deal of fun and merriment. All women, and most men too, for that matter, like to have their characters read—always providing the result is flattering to the vanity. So study your friends' handwriting, and if you find anything you do not like, expurgate it before you tell them the result, and you will be popular in society.

If you love admiration and are inclined to be coquettish, this trait will be sure to show itself by a curved line under the signature. When very pronounced, the curve will be at both ends of the line. Many actors and actresses use this line in writing. Comparisons are odious, but just notice the well-known signature of Mrs. Langtry and see if you do not find it there.

Entire absence of pretense, humility and modesty are shown in a signature without the sign of a flourish and the writing, as a whole, of a rather small, neat character. But all flourishes and erratic strokes in handwriting are not to be condemned wholesale; they sometimes merely denote a vivid imagination.

Temper is very easily discovered in handwriting. A quick, hasty tempered person will often make a little angular stroke at the commencement of a letter, and almost invariably makes the crosses of the "t's" above or far away from the letter. Should these signs be present in writing combined with others of quite opposite signification—for instance the letter "t" firmly and shortly crossed, or not crossed at all—it will only show that the person's temper, though hasty, is yet under good control.

A cautious man or woman is most particular about punctuation, and frequently uses a dash instead of a period at the end of a sentence. Prudence shows almost the same signs combined with a perpendicular handwriting devoid of flourishes. When a writer joins all, or some of his words together, it denotes sequence of ideas and good deductive judgment. Literary people often write in this manner, as do also physicians, architects and all who have to exercise this faculty to a marked degree.

If you are affectionate, your handwriting, according to graphology, should slope to the right and have somewhat rounded curves. Affection is usually accompanied by sensitiveness, so this trait also is indicated by sloping handwriting. All sensitive natures are not, however, especially tender or affectionate and when this chances to be the fact, the writing is still sloping, but the curves instead of being rounded, are angular.

Generosity is shown by plenty of space between the words, large flowing capitals, rounded loops to the letters and somewhat extended finals, as the last letter of a word is called. Frequently the handwriting is on a large scale, but this must not be regarded as a sign by itself. Extravagance is shown by all these signs being carried to excess, the final letters of the words almost dug into the paper and a wild flow of ink everywhere.

Another trait easily distinguished by the skilled graphologist is the amount of will or controlling power possessed by the subject. Those with persistent, steady wills, who think their own way perfect, nearly always write an angular, stiff hand; it is true they may have the flowing loops of generosity but side by side with these will appear down strokes to the long letters of a thick club-like form. The manner in which the letter "t" is crossed is also a very good indication of the amount of will power a person possesses. If this cross is neatly made, and of moderate thickness a very firm, strong will is shown. A long stroke over the letter, extending on both sides of it, with a kind of sloping movement upward indicates a certain amount of will power, but it is wholly without persistence. An obstinate dogged will, one that nothing has the power to change, makes a thick, short, steady cross, nearly at the top of the "t", and if this cross has a small crook at the end the writer is a domestic tyrant. When there is a looped cross, in place of a straight one, over the "t", it is said to signify persistence of ideas and great tenacity of purpose. If the "t's" are not crossed at all, total absence of will power is shown, a state of things more to be deplored than the opposite extreme.

The quality of energy is very apt to accompany will-power. It requires some of the signs of the latter together with a mounting movement of the writing and a sort of forward push to every letter, the curves of which are more angular than rounded. Laziness, or indolence as we call it in polite society, has, of course, exactly the opposite characteristics. A round inert sort of handwriting takes the place of the pushing, angular curves of the energetic person. When indolence proceeds from ill health or depression of spirits the lines of the writing droop downwards.

BRUNSON CLARK.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5928

MISSES' ETON.—Dark blue cheviot and black velvet were combined to make this novel and stylish Eton jacket. The garment may be worn either open or closed, or with or without capes as shown in the different views of the illustration. The shaping is by single darts, in front of which the garment falls over the narrow stitched velvet belt. These fronts are also heavily stitched on the edges, deeply faced with velvet, and turned back to form stylish revers that join onto the rolling collar which finishes the neck. The back is in one-piece and stretched to fit the figure. The double capes are prettily trimmed with stitched velvet and broaden the shoulders becomingly.

No. 5928.—Misses' Eton, requires for medium size, 3½ yards material 24 inches wide, 1⅞ yards 40 inches wide, or 1½ yards 52 inches wide. Silk lining required, 3 yards; velvet represented, 1⅛ yards; silk cord, ½ yard; buttons, 4. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

GIRLS' COSTUME.—No. 5930.

Plaid woolen in shades of brown and tan was chosen to make this smart little frock. The natty bodice is cut with a V shaped yoke of golden brown velvet bordered by stylishly shaped revers of silk, covered with white all-over lace. The front has its fulness laid in a triple box-pleat that gives a pretty shape to the figure, as it narrows becomingly as it approaches the waistline. The back has its closing in the centre and is pleated on either side of this to correspond with the front. The sleeves have a small amount of fulness at the shoulders and are trimmed at the wrists with narrow bands of velvet. The skirt is made with a shaped box-pleat in the centre front and side pleats at the sides and back.

No. 5930.—Girls' Costume, requires for medium size, 6⅛ yards material 22 inches wide, 3⅜ yards 36 inches wide, or 3⅛ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 1¼ yards; all-over lace represented, ⅜ yard; silk, ⅜ yard; velvet, ⅜ yard. Cut in 7 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 years. Price, 15 cents.

What Children are Wearing.

VERY smart and pretty coats and long cloaks have been prepared for little children this spring. They are mostly cut in the loose sacque shape with the straight back, which makes them so delightfully easy to put on or take off. An especially pretty model, intended for a child of eight years, was of light brown cloth pleated into a yoke of darker velvet, trimmed with white lace appliqués and bordered by a wide pleated ruffle. Another cloth cloak has a yoke of the same material, and has three capes over the shoulders.

For little children sailor suits are the rage. As regards material, everything is used. Of course, French flannels and cheviot serges are the most popular, but piqué, duck, galatea and fancy materials are frequently noticed. Only the sailor suit remains unchanged as to cut, namely, the full skirt with deep hem, and the true sailor blouse with a broad collar. A white serge is trimmed with gilt tubular braid and a little shield piece with the stars in gilt to match.

Ottoman silk, having a deep circular cape edged with a pleated ruffle, over which falls a frill of lace of the same depth, shows a somewhat new effect in children's coats.

A new style has a round yoke about four inches in depth, below which the cape widens out in a circular fashion and has a line of tiny perpendicular tucks about four inches long, where it is attached to the yoke. Below the tucked point the fulness of the silk is not restricted.

Beautiful coats for infants are made of white taffeta silk.

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Cut in 7 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 years.

See description in opposite column.

LADIES' AFTERNOON COSTUME.

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McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5931

LADIES' SHIRT WAIST.—Pale blue taffeta with an embroidered silk polka dot was used to make this stylish waist. The front is cut with a deep yoke effect of all-over lace, which looks very handsome between the smart jacket effect. The bodice is pleated into the waist-line, where it is slightly bloused. The front is in one piece and fastened by tiny straps of velvet. The back of the garment has its fulness arranged in a shaped box-pleat. A high shaped band collar, covered with all-over lace, completes the neck.

No. 5931.—Ladies' Shirt Waist (with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 3¾ yards material 22 inches wide, 2¼ yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅛ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; all-over lace represented, ½ yard; silk, ½ yard; velvet, ½ yard. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

MISSES' COSTUME.—Waist, 5917—Skirt, 5919.

This costume consists of a lovely shirt waist of white lawn and lace and a stylish skirt of tan covert cloth. The waist is made with a full front, striped with lace insertion and closing under a narrow box-pleat with tiny pearl buttons and buttonholes. The back has its fulness box-pleated, giving a very graceful appearance to the figure. The broad turn-over collar is tucked to within a few inches of the edge and daintily trimmed with lace. The tucked skirt has a box-pleated back and is remarkably graceful and pretty.

No. 5917.—Misses' Shirt Waist (with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 4 yards material 22 inches wide, 2⅜ yards 36 inches wide, or 2¼ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, ⅞ yard; insertion represented, 6 yards; lace edging, 4½ yards. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

No. 5919.—Misses' Circular Tucked Skirt (with a Double Box-Pleated Gore at the back), requires for medium size, 5 yards material 22 inches wide, 3½ yards 36 inches wide, or 3¼ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 4½ yards. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

How Long You Should Sleep.

SLEEP is nature's best restorative. The length of time to be given to slumber varies in accordance to age. Infants require at least sixteen hours out of the twenty-four; to the age of four or five, about twelve hours; and from ten to fifteen, about ten hours. After twenty-one the time given up to sleep should be between eight and nine hours. The most beneficial sleep is that which is taken an hour or two before midnight. Those, of course, whose occupations necessitate their time of rest being somewhat irregular should endeavor to make up for lost sleep, otherwise nature will have her revenge on an over-taxed brain. A light supper should be taken at least two hours before retiring, and the mind ought not to be engaged in deep study just before bed-time, otherwise sleep will be restless and unrefreshing. Healthy sleep is one of the greatest promoters of longevity. Insomnia is very prevalent nowadays, owing to the rush and excitement of modern existence. Sufferers from this miserable complaint should consult a good doctor. Recourse to drugs, of which one knows so little, is to be entirely deprecated; the health of thousands has been ruined through the use of narcotics, for most narcotics contain some sort of poison, and their ultimate effect is certain deterioration of the brain power.

SPEAK occasionally to your friends of the merits of McCALL'S MAGAZINE, and they will thank you for it.

McCall Bazar Patterns—Waist, 5917—Skirt 5919

See description in opposite column.

Some of the Uses of Lemons.

NO household should be without lemons, especially at the approach of spring. The juice of a lemon in hot water, on awakening in the morning, is an excellent liver corrective, and for stout women is better than any anti-fat medicine ever invented.

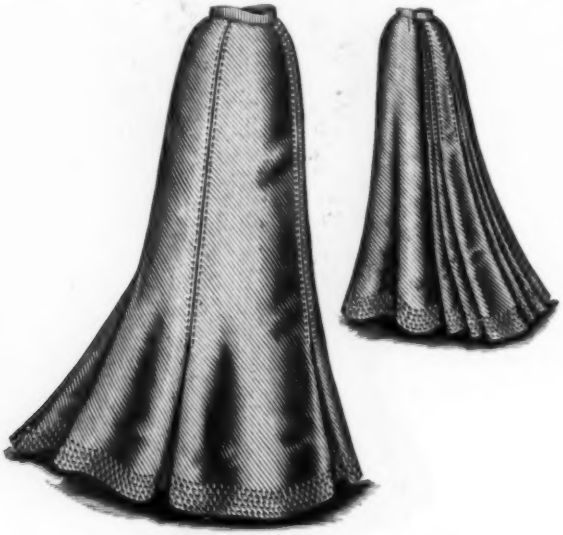
Glycerine and lemon juice, half and half, on a bit of absorbent cotton, is the best thing in the world wherewith to moisten the lips and tongue of a fever-parched patient.

A dash of lemon juice in plain water is an excellent tooth-wash. It not only removes tartar, but sweetens the breath.

A teaspoonful of the juice in a small cup of black coffee will almost certainly relieve a bilious headache.

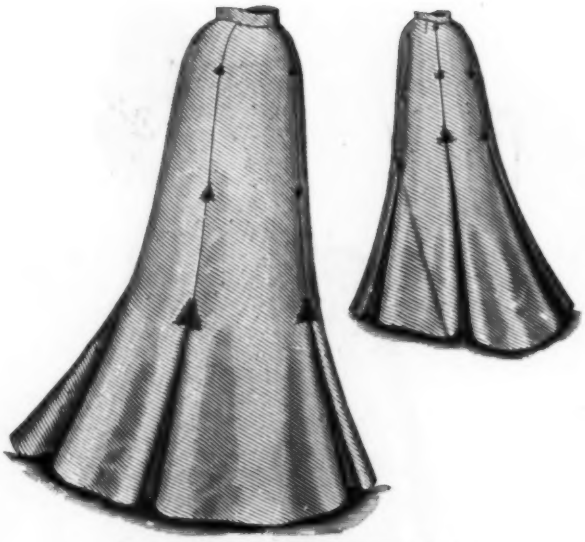
McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5918

No. 5918.—LADIES' DRAPED SKIRT (with Circular Flounced Foundation Skirt), requires for medium size, 9¼ yards material 22 inches wide, 5¾ yards 36 inches wide, or 5⅓ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 4½ yards; insertion represented, 13 yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 3½ yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5915

No. 5915.—LADIES' THREE-PIECE SKIRT (with a Triple Box-Pleated Gore at the back), requires for medium size, 8½ yards material 22 inches wide, 5⅔ yards 36 inches wide, or 5⅓ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 5½ yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 5 yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5914

No. 5914.—LADIES' SIX-GORED BOX-PLEATED SKIRT, requires for medium size, 8½ yards material 22 inches wide, 6¼ yards 40 inches wide, or 5 yards 52 inches wide. Lining required, 6 yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 5¼ yards. Cut in 6 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5910

No. 5910.—LADIES' ONE-PIECE SKIRT (with Shaped Circular Flounce), requires for medium size, 10½ yards material 22 inches wide, 7⅛ yards 36 inches wide, or 6¾ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 5 yards; insertion represented, 9 yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 5 yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.

THOSE who have their hands roughened will find them very greatly improved by using an oatmeal ball, made by washing half a pound of lard thoroughly, then putting it in a basin and mixing it with fine oatmeal until no greasiness be felt. If used regularly, it is said to be very successful in restoring the hands to a soft condition.

VARNISH stains may be removed from the hands, and also from the brushes with which it is applied, with alcohol. First wash with a little alcohol, and then, after wiping with a rag, wash thoroughly in soapy water.

HE—Will you come to my wedding? She—Whom are you going to marry? He—You.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5944

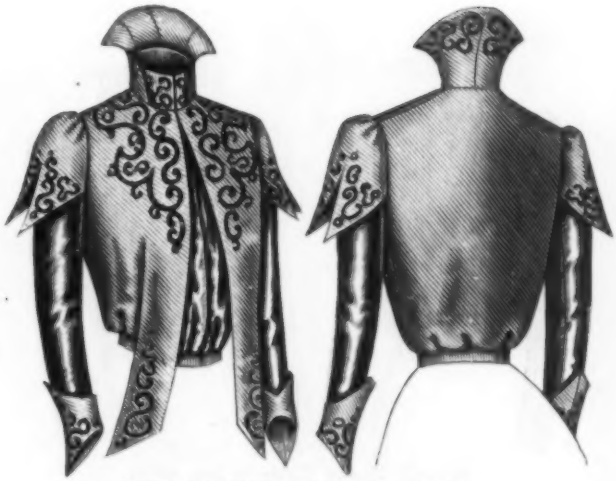
No. 5944.—LADIES' FANCY COLLARS, require for medium size, four-in-hand tie, 1½ yards material 18 inches wide, or ⅞ yards 36 inches wide, and 1¾ yards gimp; for fancy tie, 1½ yards material 18 inches wide, or 1 yard 36 inches wide, and 2¼ yards lace, and 2 yards ribbon. Cut in 3 sizes, small, medium and large. Price, 10 cents.

No. 5941.—LADIES' NINE-GORED BOX-PLEATED SKIRT, requires for medium size, 11½ yards material 22 inches wide, 7½ yards 36 inches wide, or 6¾ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 6½ yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 5⅞ yards. Cut in 6 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5923

No. 5923.—LADIES' CIRCULAR SKIRT (having Flaring Flounces), requires for medium size, 3⅜ yards material 36 inches wide, 5½ yards 40 inches wide, or 2⅜ yards 52 inches wide. Lining required, 3¾ yards; velvet represented, 7 yards. Length of skirt in front, 41 inches; width around bottom, 5¼ yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.

No. 5954.—LADIES' WAIST, requires for medium size, 4⅛ yards material 22 inches wide, 2⅝ yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅜ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; silk represented, ½ yard; all-over lace, ½ yard; insertion, 3¼ yards. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5951

No. 5951.—LADIES' WAIST, requires for medium size, 2½ yards material 22 inches wide, 1½ yards 36 inches wide, or 1⅜ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; silk represented, 2¼ yards; 1 set passementerie ornaments. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

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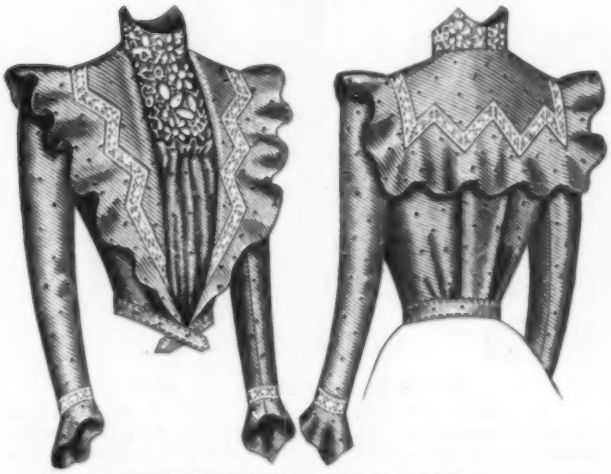

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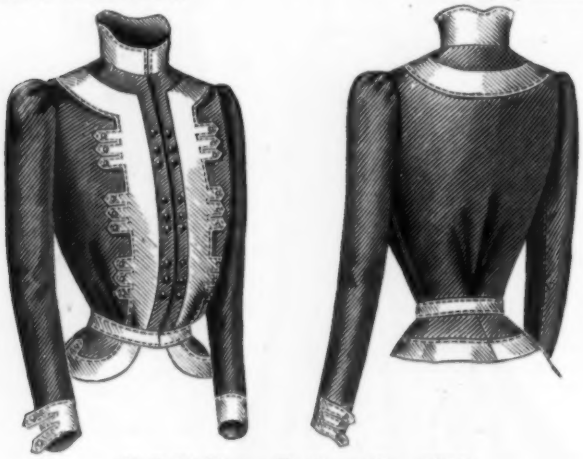
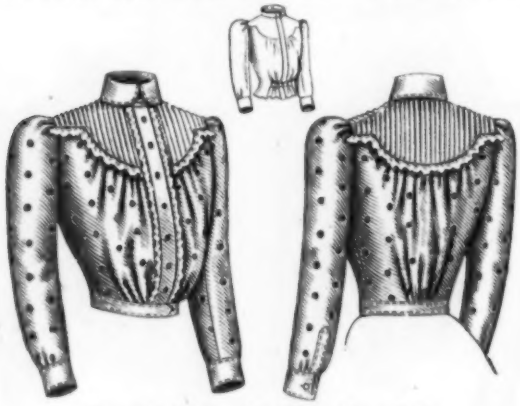
No. 5953.—LADIES' SHIRT WAIST (with Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 3⅞ yards material 22 inches wide, 2¾ yards 36 inches wide, or 2½ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; all-over lace represented, ¼ yard; silk, ¼ yard; buttons, 9. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5956

No. 5956.—LADIES' SHIRT WAIST (with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 3 yds material 22 ins. wide, 1⅞ yds. 36 ins. wide, or 1¾ yds. 40 ins. wide. Lining required, 2 yds.; extra material for straps, 1⅛ yds.; buttons, 48. Cut in 5 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cts.



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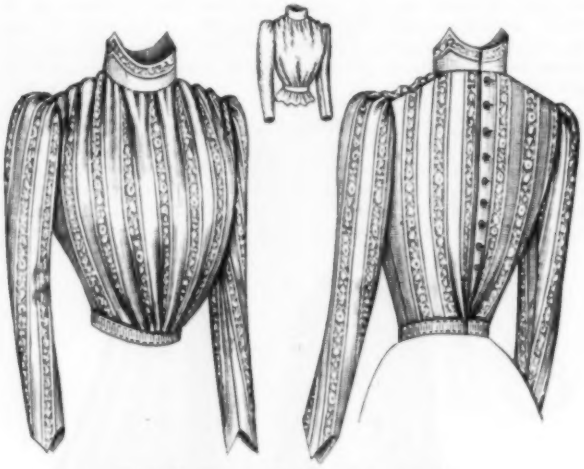
No. 5909.—MISSES' SHIRT WAIST (with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 2¾ yards material 22 inches wide, 1¾ yards 36 inches wide, or 1½ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, ⅞ yard; extra plain material, ¾ yard; all-over tucking represented, ½ yard; lace edging, 3½ yards. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5936

No. 5936.—LADIES' SHIRT WAIST (with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 4⅜ yards material 22 inches wide, 2¾ yards 36 inches wide, or 2½ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 1 yard; lace edging represented, 6 yards; buttons, 13. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5938

No. 5938.—LADIES' SHIRT WAIST (fastening at the back—with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 4 yards material 18 inches wide, 2⅞ yards 27 inches wide, or 2⅛ yards 36 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; buttons, 12. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

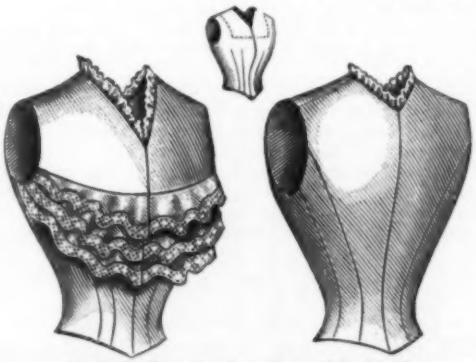
McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5955

STAMPS taken the same as money. For twenty-five two cent stamps, you can get McCall's Magazine for one year and a free pattern of your own selection.

No. 5955.—MISSES' FANCY COLLARS, require for medium size, for four-in-hand tie, 1⅛ yards material 22 inches wide, ⅛ yard all-over lace, and ½ yard silk fringe; for fancy tie, 1¼ yards material, 22 inches wide. Cut in 4 sizes, 10, 12, 14 and 16 years. Price, 10 cents.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5926

No. 5926.—LADIES' VEST, requires for any size, 1 yard all-over embroidery. Lining required, 1¼ yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure.
Price, 10 cents.

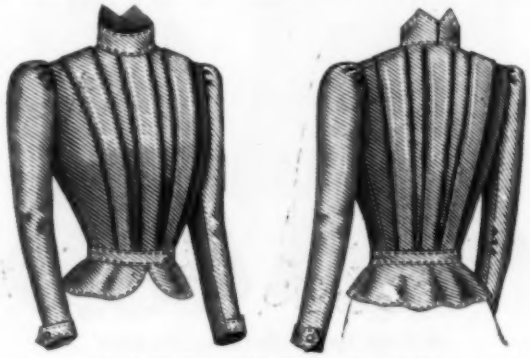


McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5933

No. 5933.—LADIES' CORSET COVER (with Shirt Waist Extender, perforated for Round or Square Neck), requires for medium size, 2⅛ yards material 22 inches wide, or 1⅜ yards 36 inches wide. Insertion represented, 3¼ yards; lace edging, 1 yard. Cut in 5 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inches bust measure.
Price, 10 cents.

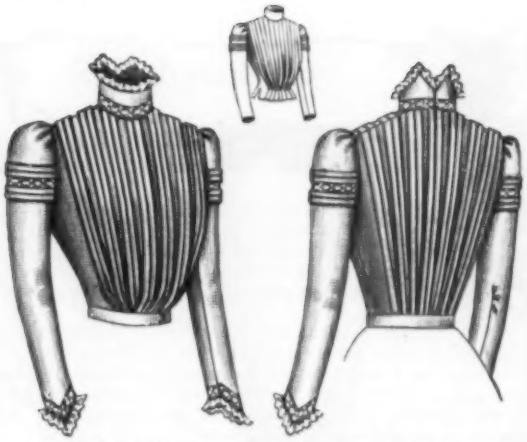
McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5943

No. 5943.—LADIES' CORSAGE BELT, requires for medium size, 1 yard material 20 inches wide, or ½ yard 36 inches wide. Lining required, ⅜ yard; buttons, 4. Cut in 5 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 inches waist measure. Price, 10 cents.



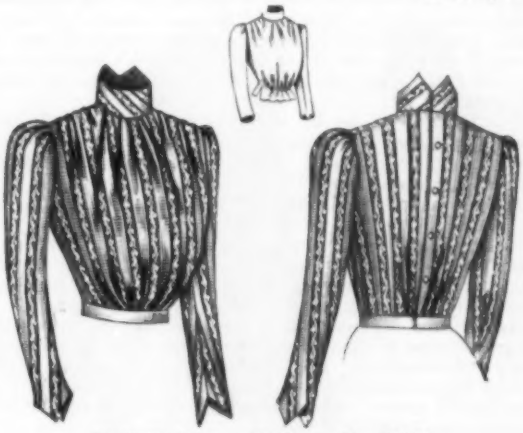
McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5927

No. 5927.—MISSES' NORFOLK BASQUE, requires for medium size, 2⅜ yards material 36 inches wide, 2⅛ yards 40 inches wide, or 1⅝ yards 52 inches wide. Lining required, 1½ yards; buttons, 2. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.



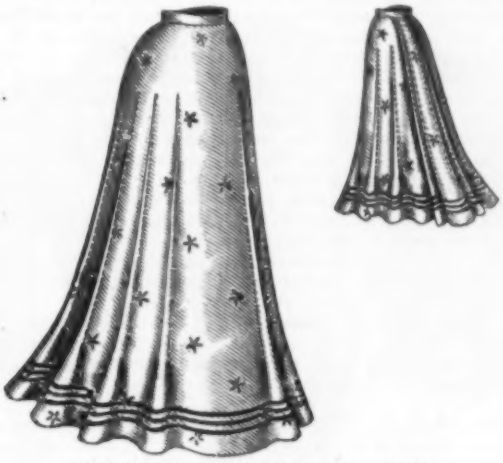
McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5935

No. 5935.—MISSES' SHIRT WAIST (with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 3¾ yards material 22 inches wide, 2½ yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅜ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, ⅞ yard; insertion represented, 2¼ yards; lace edging, 2 yards. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13 14 15 and 16 years.
Price, 15 cents.



McCall Bazar Pattern No 5937

No. 5937.—MISSES' SHIRT WAIST (fastening at the back, with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 3½ yards material 18 inches wide, 2⅝ yards 27 inches wide, or 2⅛ yards 36 inches wide. Lining required, 1½ yards; buttons, 4. Cut in 7 sizes, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cts.



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5919

No. 5919.—MISSES' CIRCULAR TUCKED SKIRT (with a Double Box-Pleated Gore at the back), requires for medium size, 5 yards material, 22 inches wide, 3½ yards 36 inches wide, or 3¼ yards 42 inches wide. Lining required, 4½ yards; velvet ribbon represented, 11 yards. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

THE fact is, you refuse to entertain my proposal, Miss Ludlow?" Sir Thomas Soapem's tone expressed as much incredulity as disappointment, as he glanced for a moment at the brown-haired girl who sat her fidgety chestnut mare as easily as if it had been an arm chair.

"I'm really very sorry, Sir Thomas," the girl was beginning, when her companion broke in brusquely:

"Of course, I know I'm neither young nor handsome, but—well, to put it bluntly, there is a good deal of pleasure to be got out of the spending of fifty thousand a year, particularly for a woman as young and charming and——"

"Oh don't! please don't!" interrupted the girl, a hot blush dyeing her cheek. "Can't you understand that it is not a question of money?"

"And yet it generally is a question of money nowadays," said Sir Thomas Soapem, shrewdly. "Even you, I daresay, would appreciate being the best mounted woman with the Loamshire Hunt, instead of riding a raw-boned——"

"Oh, please don't malign Firefly," said the girl, with a desperate attempt to turn the conversation. "She has rather a bad temper, I admit, and she hates to be kept standing—or—or—fidgeted in any way;" glancing uneasily at her companion's hunting crop, which was flicking his boot in dangerous proximity to the chestnut's flank.

"Take my word for it, Miss Ludlow," said Sir Thomas, meaningly; "when it is a case of a woman or horses, one should never humor them too much. If they prove restive, let them have a touch of the whip, or——"

"For heaven's sake take care!" cried the girl, in sudden terror. But it was too late. The chestnut gave a nervous jump, and, in another moment, went tearing like the whirlwind down the narrow lane. The girl sat like a rock, straining her arms to the utmost in her endeavor to regain control of the frightened animal. If only Firefly and she had the lane to themselves till they reached the highway, she might—the thought ended in a little gasp of fear as she peered through the dusk at something moving in front of her. It was not a cart, thank heaven! only a mounted trooper from the barracks. Would he realize that Firefly had bolted, or—— She tried to call out, but it seemed as if no sound came from her dry lips.

"Ah, thank heaven!" she murmured, as the man turned a moment in his saddle, and then, digging his spurs into his horse, drove it straight for a gap in the hedge.

Only just in time, for in another second the chestnut came flying past, and Trooper John King had a momentary glimpse of a girl's frightened brown eyes set in a white face as the pair disappeared down the lane.

At the same moment Trooper King urged his horse into a gallop, and, with a muttered, "That's right, old boy, sprint like lightning and we'll do it yet," tore across a couple of fields, crashed half over, half through a high hedge, and dropped into the road about a hundred yards in front of the runaway horse. There was a rush, a wild swerve, as the soldier caught the chestnut's bridle, and Nell Ludlow remembered nothing more.

Ten minutes later, when Sir Thomas Soapem arrived on the spot, it was to find Miss Helen Ludlow with her head pillowed on Trooper John King's coat, and the soldier on his knees dabbling her forehead with water, while his charger stood patiently nibbling the grass by the roadside.

"I can't tell you how much we are indebted to you, my good man," the millionaire was beginning pompously, when the good man in question interrupted him, curtly:

"Please ride into Amesford at once and bring a doctor," said he, coolly, without looking up, and there was such absolute decision in the soldier's tones that, greatly to his own surprise, Sir Thomas Soapem meekly obeyed.

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The detachment of Hussars stationed at Amesford barracks had been ordered to South Africa, and, as Sir Thomas Soapem turned into the avenue leading to the Ludlow's house, the smile that wreathed his somewhat heavy countenance was oddly enough a consequence of that seemingly irrelevant fact. Suddenly the sound of a woman's sob broke the autumn stillness. Sir Thomas stopped, and, peering into the beeches, saw a girl with her head buried in the tunic of a tall hussar, crying as if her heart would break.

"Oh, Jack! I simply can't let you go," said she, and, at the sound of the girl's voice, the millionaire started, suppressed a hasty exclamation, and then waited.

Five minutes later, as he turned to leave the spot, he was still smiling, but the smile was not a pleasant one by any means.

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"I thought we settled that question last year, Sir Thomas; so why cause us both needless pain by re-opening it?" said Nell Ludlow, gently.

"Because," said Sir Thomas Soapem, slowly; "because, all things considered, it might be wiser for you to marry me. You see, Miss Ludlow, I'm not accustomed to give up anything upon which I have set my mind, and if you persist in your refusal I might consider it necessary to acquaint your father with a little scene I happened to witness in the beech grove just before the hussars from Amesford went to South Africa."

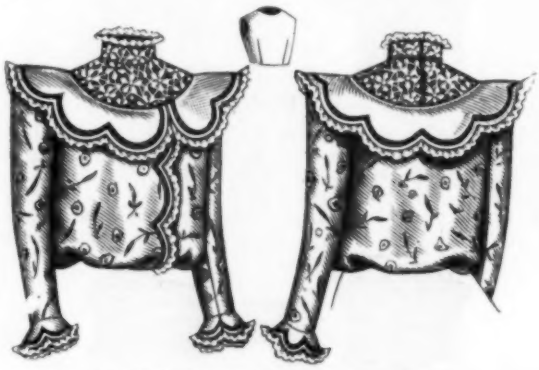
"But—but he saved my life," said the girl, hotly.

"Precisely, but I hardly think Colonel Ludlow's gratitude would go so far as to allow a mere trooper from the barracks to kiss——"

"Hullo! Soapem, who's talking about kissing?" said Colonel Ludlow, entering the room at that moment. "Ah! I see, Nell has been telling you all about her engagement."

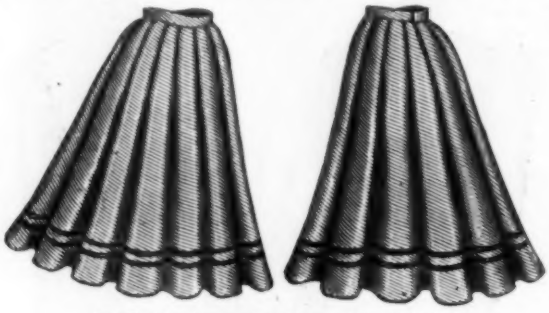
"Engagement?" stammered Sir Thomas.

"Yes, to old Sir Humphrey King's son. The old chap has quite forgiven the boy for enlisting—has buried the hatchet, in fact—and is almost as proud of Trooper John King, V. C., as—well, as his sweetheart is. And that is saying a good deal; eh, Nell?"



McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5912

No. 5912.—GIRLS' BLOUSE WAIST, requires for medium size, 2¼ yds. material 22 ins. wide, 1⅜ yds. 36 ins. wide, or 1⅛ yds. 42 ins. wide. Lining required, 1⅛ yds.; silk, 1⅜ yds.; all-over lace represented, ½ yd.; lace edging, 5 yds.; velvet ribbon, 3 yds. Cut in 7 sizes, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 years. Price, 15 cents.

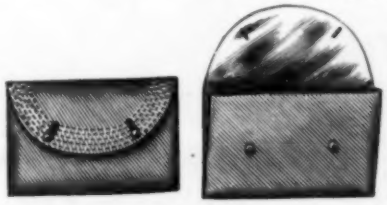


McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5911

No. 5911.—GIRLS' CIRCULAR BOX-PLEATED SKIRT, requires for medium size, 4 yards material 22 inches wide, 3 yards 36 inches wide, or 2⅞ yards 40 inches wide. Velvet ribbon represented, 8½ yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 years. Price, 10 cents.

McCall Bazar Pattern No 5929

No. 5929.—LADIES' SHIRT WAIST (fastening at the back—with or without Fitted Lining), requires for medium size, 3⅝ yards material 18 inches wide, 3¼ yards 22 inches wide, or 1⅞ yards 36 inches wide. Lining required, 2 yards; buttons, 12. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

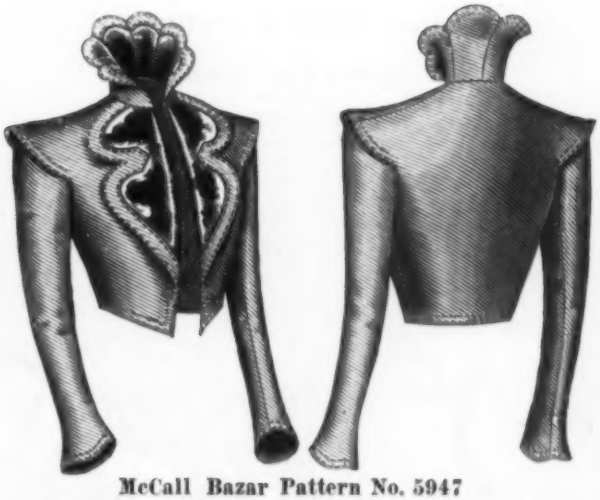


McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5934

No. 5934.—LADIES' AUTOMOBILE SKIRT POCKET, requires ⅜ yard material 36 inches wide. Silk lining required, ½ yard; buttons, 2. Cut in one size. Price, 10 cents.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5946

No. 5946.—LADIES' WRAP, requires for medium size, 6½ yards material 22 inches wide, 4⅛ yards 36 inches wide, or 3⅞ yards 40 inches wide. Chiffon knife pleating required, 12 yards; all-over lace represented, 1½ yards; satin, 1½ yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.



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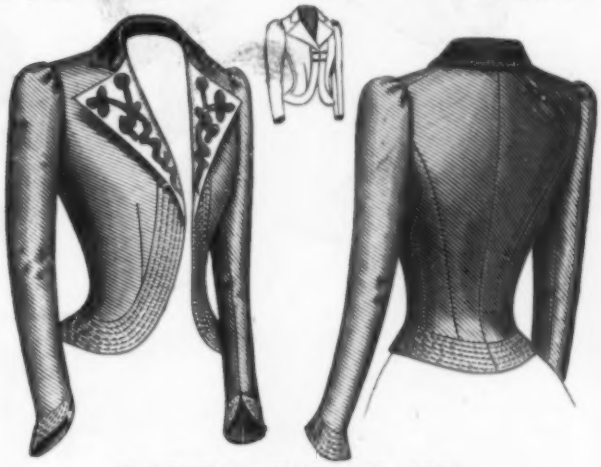
No. 5947.—LADIES' ETON, requires for medium size, 2 yards material 36 inches wide, 1⅞ yards 40 inches wide, or 1½ yards 52 inches wide. Silk lining required, 3 yds.; satin, ¼ yd. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 ins. bust measure. Price, 15 cts.

McCall Bazar Pattern No. 5949

No. 5949.—MISSES' SKIRT, requires for medium size, 5¼ yards material 22 inches wide, 3½ yards 36 inches wide, or 3⅜ yards 40 inches wide. Lining required, 3½ yards; insertion represented, 8 yards. Cut in 7 sizes, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.



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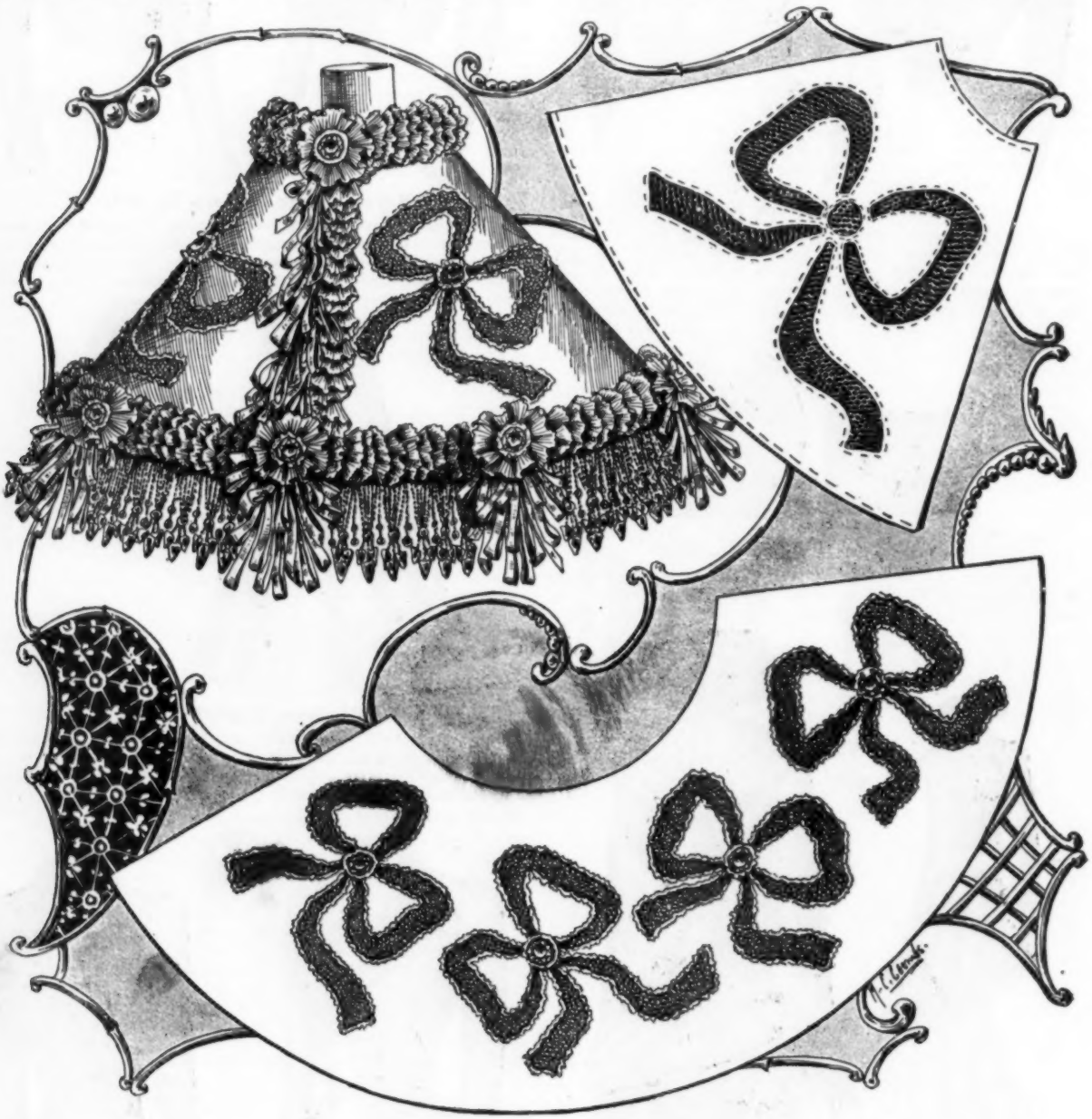
No. 5948.—LADIES' JACKET, requires for medium size, 2⅜ yards material 36 inches wide, 2⅛ yards 40 inches wide, or 1⅝ yards 52 inches wide. Lining required, 3½ yards; satin represented, ⅝ yd.; velvet, ⅛ yd.; appliqué trimming, ¾ yd. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 ins. bust meas. Price, 15 cts.

Fancy Work Department.

A New Lamp Shade.

THE materials required for this beautiful lamp shade are a piece of very stiff white buckram, another of white Brussels net of medium texture, some thin white China or pongee silk, and a bébé ruching of white or colored ribbon. Having decided on the size of your shade, cut it out in the buckram in the circular form shown in the lower section of the sketch. Trace the design upon it clearly in pencil, and with a sharp penknife cut away the buckram from the inside of the bows. Now cover the shade with net, tacking down the latter with small stitches at the top and bottom and all around the edges of the design, as illustrated in the upper section, where the treatment of a single bow at this stage of the work is shown. Take care that the stitches are set close to the edge, or they will show when the shade is completed. After this, cover the outside with the silk, tacking it down everywhere with large firm stitches. Hold the shade up to the light, and cut away the silk from the open design so that the net forms a transparency, leaving sufficient silk for turnings; turn it down with the point of the needle, and hem it finely to the net all around the bows, but do not sew it to the buckram, as this will not hold the stitches at the edge. Take out the tackings from the silk, which must have been left with a wide margin for turning down along the top and bottom of the shade. Now proceed to bead the pattern, which must be done by sewing the beads, six at a time, around in rows, so that they shall be close together, showing no spaces between; after fastening down the last bead in each group of six put the needle again through it, so as to draw the next group up close to it. Sew a large jewel in the centre of each bow. Having finished the beading, sew the bébé ruching very closely and neatly all around the design, hiding the stitches which fastened the net and the silk to the buckram. Turn the silk down over the edges of the shade at the top and bottom and down the sides, and sew a strong silk-covered wire along the bottom and top. Add a white silk lining in the same way as you arranged the silk on the outside, leaving wide edges to hem down above and below. Join the shade around, sewing the sides strongly together, and felling the lining neatly down the seam. Sew a wide, full ruche of silk or chiffon (the latter is lighter and prettier in effect, though not perhaps quite as durable as silk) around



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5921 CHILD'S SAILOR SUIT.

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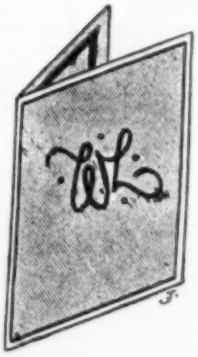
the top and lower edge of the shade, and down the side to cover the join. The latter may be further embellished with close-set loops of bébé ribbon, these being also set in tufts, at intervals along the edge, finished with *choux* of chiffon, each having a jewel in the centre. When the ruche is sewed on, make all neat by hemming down the silk lining at top and bottom to cover the stitches, and your shade will be complete, and extremely effective, if the directions have been carefully followed.

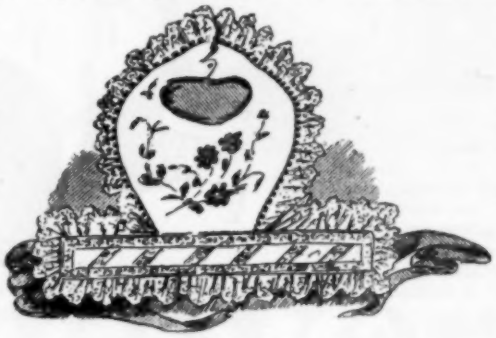


CARD CASE.

The jewels are represented by colored beads, sewn on a transparent foundation of white net; and here it must be impressed on the maker that everything depends on the careful selection of these beads, for it is not every kind through which the light will shine with jeweled effect. Perfectly transparent colored beads will show up as a dark, heavy mass. Ordinary sequins and paillettes will glitter provided there is some other light in the room to fall upon them externally, but will prove a woeful disappointment if it is expected of them to do duty as a medium through which the light is to pass When choosing the beads that are to be used they should be held before the flame of a lamp or candle, and it will then be possible to judge whether they will retain their brightness or not. Another point brought out by experiments in the work, is that it will be found better to select a design in which shading or blending of colors will be unnecessary, as this only serves to cause confusion. Two or more distinct colors may be used, but the merging of one into another should be avoided. The beads used for the lamp shade illustrated were of a rich ruby tint, slightly clouded. The *a jour* design of French bows was carried out entirely in these, the fringe being of the same, interspersed with semi-opaque ruby drops and sequins.

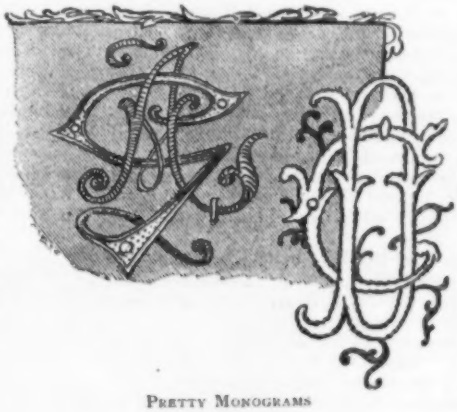
Dainty Trifles.

EVERY woman likes to make pretty things for babies. Well, here is the newest sort of a bib for his infantile majesty. Unfortunately, babies have, what Mark Twain would call "nasty little ways," amongst which is that of rendering moist the front of their robes by their inability to close their mouths. Bibs can be things of beauty as well as objects of utility, and the one shown in our illustration is especially pretty. It is large, and possesses the added advantage of a waistband to be secured under the arms with tapes or ribbons tied at the back. Trimmed with lace and insertion, and threaded through with baby ribbon around the bib portion, it is a most fascinating addition to baby's toilet. Our model is made of fine linen, the upper portion daintily embroidered with a bunch of pale blue flowers. It is trimmed around with a ruffle of torchon lace and the band is striped with insertion.



BABY'S BIB.

All household linens, tablecloths, towels, napkins, pillow shams, etc., should have the owner's initials embroidered upon them in white linen thread. Two extremely pretty monograms are shown in our illustration.



PRETTY MONOGRAMS

What You Can Make From Old Gloves.

ALL girls possess at least two or three pairs of old gloves. The most careful maidens may send them to be cleaned once or twice, but when they show signs of wear and the kid rubs, then they are cast aside as of no further use. This is quite a mistake; there are many little things which can be made of old gloves, if only a little pains and trouble be expended upon them.

First of all there is the midget photo frame. Cut a piece of stout cardboard the desired shape; the form of a heart is quaint and pretty, but a square, an oval, or a circle would look equally well. Cut out with a sharp penknife the space for the photograph. Take a pair of gloves—gray, tan, or stone color—and cut off the unworn portions at the back of the hand. The part which extends from below the fancy stitching to the wrist will be found in excellent condition. Clean it by rubbing over with benzine, then lay the cardboard on it, and cut the required shape. Gum or glue it with liquid glue firmly around the edges and press. When dry decorate the rim where the photo fits with an application of gold paint. If the worker is artistic she may paint a small spray of flowers in the left-hand corner, or if the frame be a heart-shaped one decorate it with arrows outlined in gold paint.

A back and support must be cut out of cardboard and firmly glued on. If glass is desired it will be found the best to purchase a small sheet at any glazier's and get him to cut it the required size. The glass should be glued in before the back and support is fixed in place.

A double heart-shaped frame (as shown in our illustration) looks exceedingly pretty and novel.

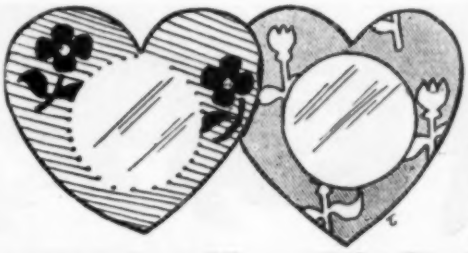
Card cases may be made by doubling a large thick postal card or piece of cardboard and covering it with suède in some delicate color, and then lining the inside with silk and stitching on pockets of the suède. The outside of this dainty case may be ornamented by a monogram in gold.

An exceedingly novel pincushion for the dressing-table may be made by cutting off a glove at the wrist, sewing up the vent, and stuffing it with bran or cotton wool until it looks as if a hand were inside it. When stuffed, this quaint pincushion may be gilded or coated with pale pink enamel and finished with a bow of ribbon, or a loop to hang it up by.

Out of evening gloves dainty belts may be made with very little trouble. Get a length of stout buckram the required width, and cover it with suède in any of the delicate shades sold for evening gloves. One pair of gloves will make a belt, and the tops, when rubbed with benzine and ironed on the wrong side, make a charming belt, which is ornamental and new.

The join down the centre of the back shoud be concealed by a row of silver sequins sewn on thickly, and the effect is even more pleasing if a row of the sequins be sewn around the upper and lower edges of the belt. It may be fastened with hooks and eyes, or an ornamental clasp may be bought at any fancy shop and attached.

Dainty little needle-books may be made in the same way as the card case, only the inside should be filled with graduated leaves of flannel, pinked out around the edge and arranged in two colors. The leaves should be held in place by a strap of baby ribbon in a contrasting color. A very pretty little needle-book would be gray suède or doeskin, lined with white satin.



HEART SHAPED PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES.

GLOVE PINCUSHION.

A Jolly Dinner Party.

And Some of the Stories That Were Told.

"A SENSE of humor," remarked Bronson as he toyed with the dessert course—men hate sweets as a rule—"is an invaluable possession. It should be cultivated." "Why don't you then?" said his wife sweetly. As our host had just related his choicest after-dinner story, I thought this rather severe. Now I have always noticed that the prettier the woman, the sharper the speeches she will make. It seems to go on a sort of inverse ratio. And Mrs. Bronson was a very attractive little lady with blond hair and blue eyes.

There were just six of us at the table, the best possible number for a pleasant time, unless, one happens to be rather "gone" on the girl he takes out to dinner, and then, of course, the greater the crowd at the festive board the better for a tete-a-tete. In my experience a dinner is either deadly dull, or else the jolliest sort of a function, there seems to be no half way about it. Yet in spite of the greatest care in selecting guests and menu it is, after all, a matter of chance just how the festivity will pass off. If your viands are all that can be desired, ten to one, your star diner will be suffering from an attack of indigestion, or "that tired feeling," or something or other, and persist in gobbling glumly, instead of scintillating with wit and setting the table in a roar with well chosen anecdotes as is his wont in other houses.

But to-night everyone is on his best behavior, and, as our host requests, we try to cultivate a sense of humor. If the repartees are not very brilliant, they, at least, cause a great deal of laughter which is the main thing.

"Did you ever hear the story of the little child with an investigating turn of mind?" began the Pretty Girl—there must always be a pretty girl at a successful dinner, you know.

"That's rather vague, isn't it?" said Dick. "Please explain."

Thus encouraged the fair maiden continued: "Well, this little girl was not exactly curious, but she wanted to know, so one day she said to her mother in a pained voice: "Mamma, when I grow up and get married, must I have a husband like papa?" "Yes, my dear," said her mother, sadly. "But, if I don't get married, will I be an old maid like Aunt Kate?" "Yes, dear," said her mother again. The little girl pondered a minute or two, then she said: "Mamma, it's a hard world for us women, isn't it?"

Here I saw my chance and took it. "That reminds me," I said, "of a yarn I heard the other day about a man who fell in love with a very charming woman, no longer in her first youth. As he was not much of a chicken himself and did not want the mortification of a refusal, he tried to beat about the bush a bit and began by asking her what she thought of matrimony. To his surprise, she answered shortly that she did not think much of it. "Why," said he, waxing eloquent, "wouldn't you like someone to love you and the companionship of a husband in your old age?"

"No," said she, "I get along very well without it as I have several substitutes. I have a dog that growls when I feed him, a parrot that swears, and a cat that stays out nights. What do I want of a husband?"

"Both those stories are pretty hard on matrimony," said Carew, when the polite laugh that always follows a story, whether successful or not, had subsided. He writes poems occasionally for the comic weeklys. "Now just to get a little sentiment into this sordid crowd, let me ask you a conundrum I heard the other day, I think it was at a vaudeville, but it may have been at an afternoon tea, I've forgotten which. However, it doesn't matter, the general effect of both functions is the same. What's the difference between a sewing machine and a kiss?"

After several futile attempts we gave it up.

"One sews seams nice, and the other seems so nice," said the culprit with a languishing air. "You ought to be sent to an asylum for that," said the Pretty Girl severely.

HE.—Haw, yaas, you know, Miss Debutante, I, haw, possess the extraordinary faculty of defining what people think of me.
Miss Debutante.—Poor fellow.

Then for a while we all talked sense assiduously as a protest against idiocy in general and that of literary men in particular. But if you happen to feel frivolous, the South African war and the Kentucky difficulty are not exactly satisfying, and after about fifteen minutes or so of this our hostess said, apropos of nothing that I can remember, "Some one told me the other day a true story of the child of a well known artist. I won't tell you his name for the anecdote was confidential. It seems the little girl was very bad indeed,

MISTRESS.—And why do you want to leave, Kate? Is it anything private?
Kate (disdainfully).—Dear me! No, ma'am, he's a sergeant.

and her father said to her, "I understand that my little daughter has been very naughty and has kicked and spit at her nurse, the devil must have put it into her heart to do such things."

"Papa," said the little girl, drawing herself up proudly, "The devil may have prompted the kicking, but the spitting was *my own idea*."

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"I never paid for him yet, and I'm not going to begin now."

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"That's all right."

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"That's all right. You put him off if you think that's the way to get anything out of me."

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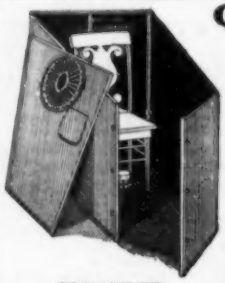

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IN USE.

The Boastful Smoker.

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"I could see he was in torture, but he stuck to it until he got within half an inch of the mark. Then he jumped up suddenly, threw the cigar away and walked out of the store. I paid the bet and charged it to his account, and he told me last night that the very idea of tobacco made him sick. It is not unlikely that the affair may lose me a good customer. I doubt whether it would be possible for anybody to smoke even a moderately strong cigar through in the manner I have described.".

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TO-DAY.

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A time to labor, a time to rest;
There's a time to give and a time to keep,
Ere the hands at last fold over the breast,
And the form is still on the still white bed.
In the crowded street, by the lonely shore,
Make haste to lead where the weary tread—
The good we do must be done before
The stars are out—and the night is nigh,
Wherein we never may hush a sigh.

Some day the hands so quick to caress
Will clasp each other no more; some night
The brow that the brown locks love to press
Will lift its last in the war for right.
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To hearts o'erburdened will move for none—
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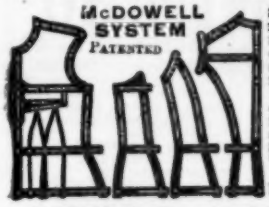

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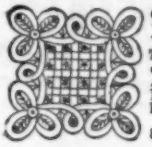

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Burns and Scalds.

THESE dreaded accidents happen sometimes when no doctor or skilled nurse is at hand to say what to do; and a mother should know what simple remedies to use without any delay or hesitation with the things likely to be at hand. One important thing to remember is, whatever you put on leave it, and do not keep putting it on and off. The great thing is to keep out the air and to apply something healing and soothing. A cloth dipped in oil and lime-water is perhaps the best if it can be had.

A remedy which I once saw heal a bad burn from boiling lard, was a cloth thickly spread with lard from which three washings in boiling water had removed all the salt. This was put gently on, covering well the edges of the sore place, and over it a warm bread poultice which was warm but not too hot. This was all kept in place with soft towels and safety-pins. The poultice was renewed at intervals, but the larded cloth left on. Vaseline would have been better, and should always be kept in a home where there are children, but in this case the lard completely healed a bad burn in a few days.

How to Wash Fine Handkerchiefs.

DO not put your handkerchiefs in with the regular weekly wash, for the treatment they are likely to receive soon turns them yellow. Fill a wash bowl half full of warm soft water and dissolve a little powdered borax in it. Rub each handkerchief gently between the hands, using enough good soap to get it clean, then rinse in clear cold water that has a very little blueing in it. White linen handkerchiefs may be scalded a few minutes if thought necessary. Borax whitens linen beautifully, and should always be used in the water in which they are washed. Very little starch is needed—just enough to give them the appearance of new goods. Iron while quite damp pressing the embroidery on the wrong side, and the remainder on the right side, or it is a better plan to take them from the starch and press them smoothly on a clean marble slab or a window pane to dry, putting the wrong side next to the glass. When they are dry, take them off and fold nicely. They will not need ironing. This is a very convenient plan when one is boarding and cannot get a hot iron conveniently. E. J. C.

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Some good housekeepers mix the Postum, four heaping teaspoons to the pint of water, in a very little water, and place it in a tall coffee-pot so it will not boil over, then after it has begun to boil and been stirred down, they add enough water to make up the requisite amount of liquid.

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The Work of the House.

IN some old-fashioned homes it is the custom to distribute the work among the girls of the family, changing it from week to week, so that each may become proficient in every branch. The girl who markets and cooks for the family one week exchanges work for the next seven days with her sister who makes the beds and cares for the rooms. The next week she assumes charge of the family mending, then makes her way back again to her first duties. The mother merely directs and criticises the efforts of her offspring, and finds time for a daily nap, the reading which she had to drop when her children were small, and the many other little interests which make life worth living. That is one of the good old fashions which is passing away, more's the pity.

Some Novel Omelets.

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FISH OMELET.—Any scraps of fish left over from yesterday can be converted into a fish omelet. Break three eggs and half a teacupful of sour milk into a bowl, with pepper and salt to taste, beat the mixture until frothy. Melt a lump of butter in a frying-pan, and when it fries, mix the fish, freed from skin and bone, with the eggs, and pour into the pan. Proceed as with the tomato omelet.

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Rings, however, have had other associations besides those of marrying and giving in marriage. Some Roman rings were hollow, and filled with poison, obviously for the purpose of suicide—a crime then considered a virtue. A modern instance of this carrying of death upon the finger is that of Condorcet, who, when arrested by the notorious Convention, tore the jewel from his ring and drank the poison which lay in the hollow.

An interesting ring story is told of the famous Duke of Wellington. He was seated at dinner one day opposite Miss Dawson Damer, and was observed to be looking intently at a ring which that young lady wore upon her finger. Suddenly he said, "Where did you get that ring?" and learning that it was a gift from the late Mrs. Fitzherbert, he asked, "Have you ever opened it?" "Opened it?" replied the lady, "I did not know it was made to open." Thereupon the Iron Duke took it, touched a spring, and disclosed a tiny miniature of the Regent. "There were two of these rings. The fellow-ring enclosed the portrait of Mrs. Fitzherbert, and was worn by the king. He gave it to me on his death-bed, and instructed me to place it on his breast at his burial. I did so."

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Another clever idea for a blue room, or a place furnished in delicate shades, is to buy an Anatolian curtain which can be converted into pretty pillows. If the drapery is fringed, it can be cut off and serve as a stylish finish for all edges.

If the home-woman has plenty of leisure she should make up her pretty fixings early in March. One gets tired of the stuffy covers we see in the cold weather, and in every well-appointed house changes should be given for the lighter materials, which form dainty accessories when the warm days make their appearance.

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To Remove Warts.

WARTS may be safely and certainly cured by keeping them constantly damp with a rag dipped in vinegar, then slicing them off thinly day by day and applying powdered alum to the fresh surface. Another plan is to touch them every second day or so with the pointed end of a slate pencil or match dipped in acetic, glacial-acetic, muriatic, nitric, or sulphuric acid, or a mixture of chromic acid, one part to four parts water, daily. All these demand great care. A safer, though slower process is to moisten each wart with a drop of water, then rub it well with lunar caustic; next day, or in two days, carefully remove the black surface with a knife, repeating the caustic, and so on as may be necessary.

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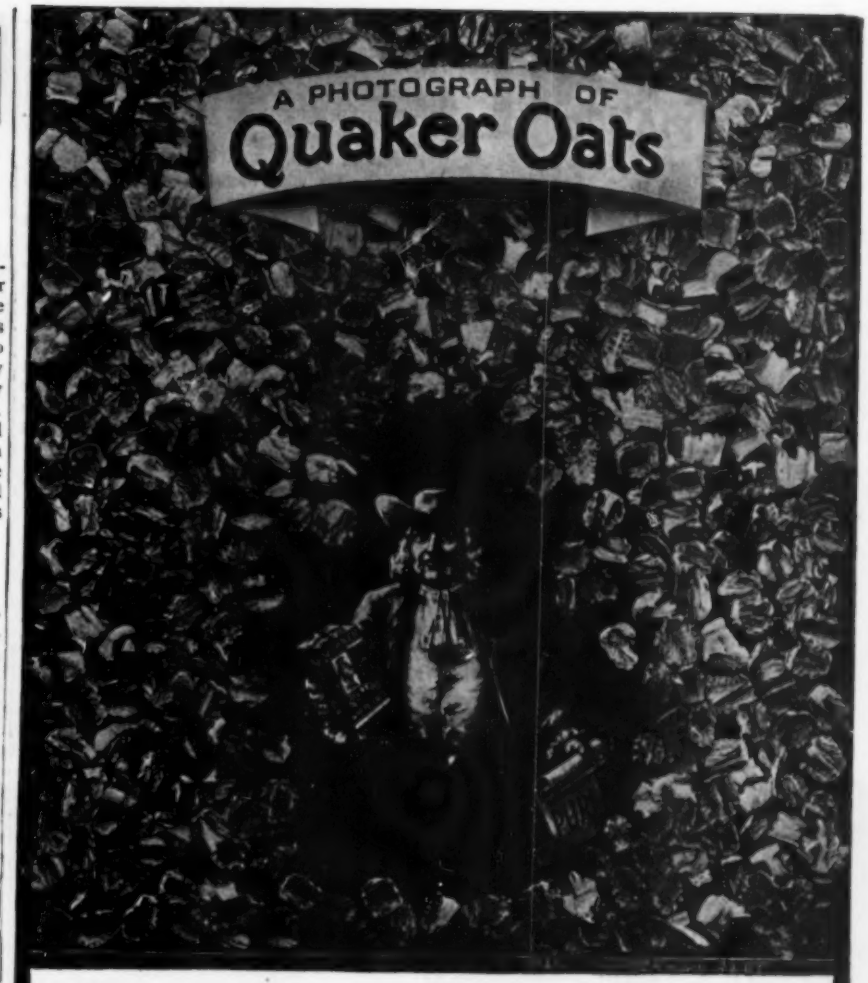

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The first thing to do in trimming a hat is to partly insert the head lining. A quarter of a yard, cut on the bias, is sufficient for a hat. A piece rather larger than the crown should be cut from one end, and held in its place with a few stitches at each corner. The remainder of the strip can be cut lengthwise into two, and joined so as to make a long strip. This can be fastened to where the brim and crown meet, using long stitches inside the hat and very small ones outside. The free edge can then be turned over and hemmed, and when the hat is finished narrow ribbon should be run through the hem and drawn up to the required size.

To bind the edge of a hat with velvet, a crossway strip must be used. One edge can be turned over and secured with "velvet-stitch," *i.e.*, working from right to left, and taking a small piece under the fold just a little to the left. The free edge is put on the upper edge of the hat and held in place with half-back stitching; the other edge is then turned to the under side of the brim.

The fold around the crown must be laid on very loosely, and secured in one of two places with double knots passed through and tied inside the hat. Feathers, wings, flowers or quills, should next be securely sewn with double cotton in any desired position. It is important to make them stand high, as amateurs always sew them down as low as possible, thus giving the hat a dowdy appearance.

In making bows it is always advisable to have a picture of a bow, and copy it first in stiff cambric cut to the width of ribbon The cambric ribbon should be held over the forefinger of the left hand, while the ends should be pleated up tightly and secured with florist's wire with the right hand. It will then be seen whether the effect is right, and the loops of the real ribbon can be made the right length to give the right effect. Unless the ribbon is of a very soft make the loops need not be wired. If supports are needed, some round bonnet wire should be twisted to form the letter T, and the cross part of the T attached to the ribbon.

Lace should always be wired with very fine wire, but lace wings require rather a coarser wire.

If piece material is used it should always be cut on the cross, as it sets so much better, and is much easier to manipulate than when it is cut on the straight.

"JOHN," she asked, "how do you like this hat on me?"

"Oh, I don't know," he answered. "Have you bought it?"

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A FEW months ago a strange cat strolled into the house of a Kentucky farmer, and sat blinking at the kitchen fire, with an air of great assurance, as if to say: "I've concluded to come and live with you." But the farmer did not take kindly to the newcomer; he tried several times to put the cat out of the home; but pussy scratched him so viciously that he was glad to leave her in quiet possession. The cat immediately became very fond of Lizzie, the five-year-old daughter of the farmer, and followed her wherever she went. One day Lizzie went into the garden to play among the flowers, and the cat took up her position about six feet away. After awhile the little girl rose to depart when, to her surprise and dismay, she saw an ugly, poisonous snake, about three feet long, behind her, coiled up and ready to strike. But the cat had seen the reptile, too, and with one bound she pounced upon him and bit him on the neck. Then ensued a long and desperate fight, in which the cat was getting the best of it, when the screams of the little girl attracted the farmer's wife to the scene of the catastrophe, and his snakeship was speedily dispatched with a garden tool.

The farmer now says he is glad the "tramp cat" stayed; and ever since her brave encounter with the snake pussy gets an extra saucer of milk from the hand of her little friend Lizzie. On such occasions she blinks and looks at the farmer in a way which shows that she fully realizes what a valuable cat she is.—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

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VANILLA SAUCE.—Put one pint of milk over the fire. Rub two tablespoonfuls of corn starch in a little cold milk or water. When the milk is scalding hot add the cornstarch, stirring until it is creamy. Beat the yolk of one egg. Pour some of the mixture over it, then pour all together, adding three tablespoonfuls of sugar; stir until the egg has cooked; do not allow it to boil or it will curdle. Remove from the fire, add one teaspoonful of butter in small bits and one teaspoonful of vanilla extract.

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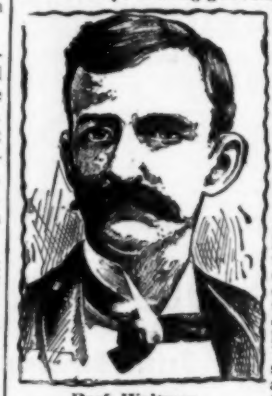

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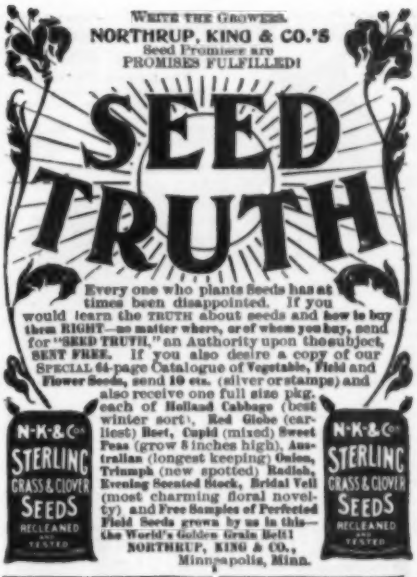

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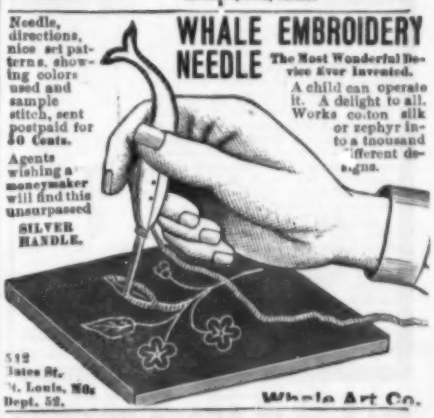

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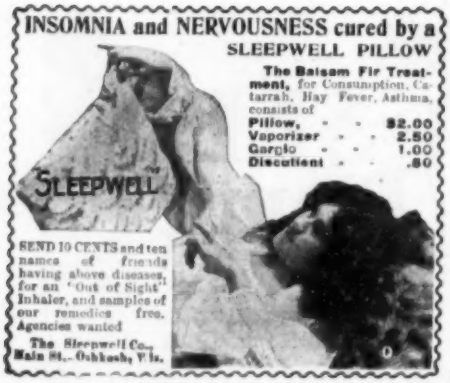

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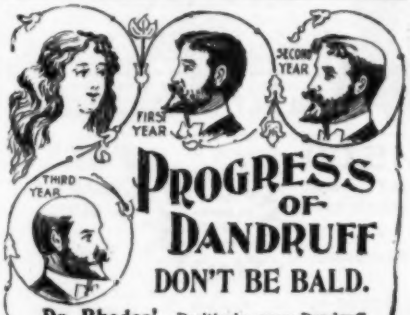

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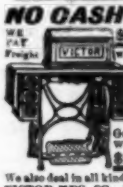

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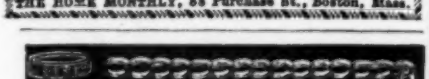

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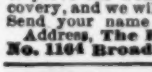

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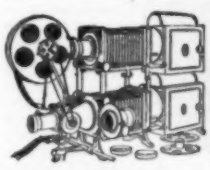

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MABEL.—A recipe for the removal of freckles was given in this column in our December number.

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MRS. ETHEL.—You should consult your physician and he will advise what books to get.

LORRETTA.—Use a good quinine hair tonic and be sure to wash your children's hair every two weeks.

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J. R. C.—This is not a graphology column and we do not undertake to tell the character by handwriting. If, however, you will read the article on page 361, you can learn a great deal about this subject.

MISS W. M., Madison, S. D.—Read answer to "Helen L." published in this column, December number.

MISSOURI GIRL.—1. This is not necessary unless you have to "brush by them" in order to pass. 2. Yes, perfectly. 3. Yes, you must always thank anyone for even the slightest courtesy.

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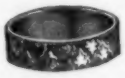

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WALTHAM AND ELGIN WATCHES.

Wholesale Rates, Liberal Offers.

No. 40—LADIES' GOLD FILLED WATCH. 20-Year Hunting Case.

No. 40 is a beautiful watch. The works are either Waltham or Elgin, with seven jewels, compensating expansion balance, quick train (18,000 beats to the hour), stem winding and setting apparatus of the latest and most approved style and all the greatest improvements known to the skillful watchmakers of the nineteenth century. The case is gold filled, guaranteed by the makers to wear like gold for twenty years, and it is beautifully engraved in assorted designs or engine-turned as ordered. Such watches sell at retail at from $12 to $18.50 each. We will send one, delivered free anywhere in the United States, all charges pre-paid, for a club of 48 subscribers at 50 cents each; or for a club of 15 and $6.50 added money; or for a club of 10 and $7.50 added money.

Address: THE McCALL CO.,
138-146 West 14th St., New York City.

(Picture of 56-piece Tea Set No. 7-20-7.)

STYLISH CHINAWARE—Free for Small Clubs.

When a club raiser decides to work for an article she has never seen she must depend on the description, which should be so plain and direct that she cannot be disappointed when she finally receives her premium.

There are two kinds of chinaware in style at present. One style is fully and heavily decorated like set No. 7-20-7; the other is decorated in a floral design like set No. 401. The merits of all the chinaware we offer are great, but the floral decoration costs more and is more highly prized by the majority of the ladies of America. Our 7-20-7 set is good enough for anybody.

No. 7-20-7. For $7.50 we will send McCALL'S MAGAZINE to 15 addresses. Every subscriber is entitled to a pattern free as a premium. The fortunate sender of the club will receive a handsomely decorated English tea set, 56 pieces, semi-porcelain. The decorations are *under the glaze* and the goods are trade marked. Freight charges to be paid by club raiser. If you haven't time to make up a club of 15 send 10 at 50 cents each and $1.05 added money or 5 at 50 cents each and $2.10 added money. No. 7-20-7 is certainly a premium well worth working for and we hope it will continue as popular as it has been for the past six months.

No. 401. For $10.50 we will send McCALL'S MAGAZINE to 21 addresses. Every subscriber is entitled to a free pattern as a premium. The fortunate sender of the club will receive as a premium a 56 piece tea set, dark blue clare, under-glaze floral decorations, small and beautiful, and modest in size. The glaze is durable and beautiful and the merit of the ware so great that almost everyone of the hundreds who have received it already has written to thank us for chinaware so strong as to be useful and so stylish as to add to the beauty of every table where it is used. Freight charges to be paid by club raiser. If you haven't time to send 21 subscribers send 15 at 50 cents each and $1.20 added money or 10 and $2.25 added money or 5 and $3.30 added money.

No. 401½ is a dinner set of the same beautiful ware and design as No. 401. It is as made up follows: 6 dinner plates (No. 7); 6 pie plates; 6 soup plates (No. 7); 6 individual butter plates; 6 small vegetable (or preserve) dishes; 3 platters (1 No. 7, 1 No. 10, 1 No. 16); 2 open vegetable dishes (bakers No. 8); 1 medium size soup tureen (notched casserole); 1 sauce (gravy) boat; 1 pickle dish; 1 pitcher No. 12; 1 covered butter dish; 6 coffee cups and saucers. This beautiful set will be sent for a club of 32 subscribers at 50 cents each; or for a club of 10 and $4.40 added money; or for a club of 5 and $5.40. Club raiser must pay freight charges. If a larger or smaller set is desired let us know and we will quote size of club required to obtain the same.

No. 407—"**Fun and Fighting of the Rough Riders,**" by Tom Hall, adjutant of this famous regiment. Boys, here's your chance to get a good book. Delivered, free, for a club of only two subscribers, at 50 cents each. A large, thick volume and a good story.

No. 406—"**Auld Lang Syne**"—a new edition of this famous poem, illustrated with twenty full page pictures. Bound in cloth boxed (32-mo.), small, but beautiful. Delivered, free, for a club of only two subscribers, at 50 cents each.

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We have long wished to offer GOOD Photograph Albums as premiums, because thousands of readers are in need of albums in which they can safely keep pictures of their friends and loved ones. We have selected one of the handsomest and best albums ever made. Our albums are bound in a rich Venetian velour of high quality. Your choice of red, blue or green. On the front is a beautiful beveled plate glass mirror. The trimmings are gold plated and lacquered. Each album is placed on a brass, gold-plated "ox yoke" easel from which it is instantly detachable. The easel has a compartment in which may be placed in safety a number of cabinet photographs, or it is a fairly safe place for valuables, as it is secure from observation while the album is in place. The album will contain sixty-four cabinet and nine card photographs. It is shipped securely boxed, receiver to pay express charges. Album and easel boxed weigh about 10 lbs., so, if you live over 1500 miles from New York, charges will be pretty high. For $4.50 we will send McCALL'S MAGAZINE one year to nine different addresses. Every subscriber may choose a pattern free as a premium. The fortunate sender of the club will receive this elegant $5.00 album as a premium. Or we will send it as a premium for a club of six subscribers at 50 cents each and 65 cents added money. Address: THE McCALL COMPANY, 138-146 West 14th St., New York City.

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Jeweled Works, Jeweled Hands.

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Free pattern to every subscriber.

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SOLID SILVER WATCH.

No. 158 is a Chatelaine Watch of high merit. Jeweled works, good time piece, engraved solid silver case. Delivered free as a premium for a club of twelve subscribers at 50 cts. each and 15 cts. for postage and packing; or for a club of five subscribers at 50 cts. each and $1.55 added money.

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No. 506.

LADIES' GOLD FILLED GUARD CHAIN.

Free For a Club of Ten.

No. 506 is a ladies' guard chain. Its length, 50 inches single or 25 double. It has a gold slide set with a genuine opal. Guard chains are just in style and ours is one of the most beautiful. Sent free for a club of ten at 50 cents each; or for a club of 2 at 50 cents each and $1.60 added money.

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ENGLISH COOK BOOK.

For People of Moderate Means.

We have at last got hold of one of the best English Cook Books ever published. It tells fully how to prepare strong wholesome food at small cost, and yet have it delicious to the taste. The book is bound in red cloth and fully illustrated. This book properly used will make housekeeping easier and more pleasant. Some of the recipes have never before this been seen in America. The directions for making "TOAD IN THE HOLE" are worth $10 to any housekeeper.

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Every lady knows the value of good interesting reading for Sunday. John Dougall & Co., of New York publish SABBATH READING, a WEEKLY paper that contains the most interesting and instructive stories, sketches, etc., that money can buy. It is not denominational and is adapted to the entertainment and profit of all Christians. Regular price 50c a year. We offer its as follows:

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S. R.—No. 2.

SABBATH READING will be sent one year free as a premium for a club of two yearly subscriptions at 50c each. Each subscriber is entitled to a pattern free as a premium.

$2.30 FOR $1.26. S. R.—No. 3.

For a club of two at 50c each and 26c added money we will send the following:

McCALL'S MAGAZINE 1 year to two addresses, regular value $1, two patterns free (value 30c), SABBATH READING, 1 year to two addresses regular value $1. Be sure to specify in your order where you wish us to send the different subscriptions and free premium patterns.

If you have never seen SABBATH READING send your name and address on a postal for a free sample to SABBATH READING, 150 Nassau St., New York City, mentioning McCALL'S MAGAZINE. Send your clubs as above to

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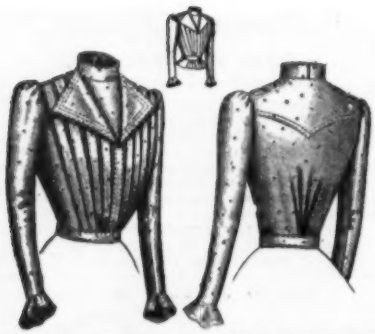

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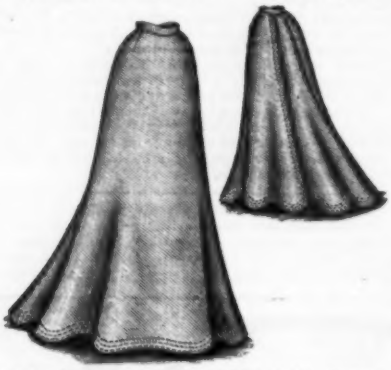

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5741.—Ladies' Blouse Waist (with Fitted Lining). Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

5896.—Child's Guimpe Dress. Cut in 5 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 years. Price, 15 cents.

5793.—Ladies' Waist (to be made High or Low Neck, Long or Short Sleeves). Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

5472.—Ladies' Costume (consisting of Jacket and Bell Skirt, with Sweep or Round Length). Cut in 7 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

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5897.—Girls' Costume. Cut in 6 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 years. Price, 15 cents.

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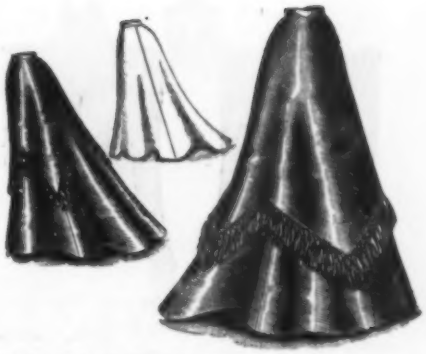

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5863.—Misses' Five-Gored Skirt (having Box-Pleated Back Gores). Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

5676.—Ladies' Eton. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

5844.—Misses' Drawers. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 10 cents.

5837.—Ladies' Blouse Waist (with Fitted Lining). Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

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5831.—Ladies' Blouse Waist (with Fitted Lining). Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

5830.—Child's Cloak. Cut in 5 sizes, 6 months, 1, 2, 3 and 4 years. Price, 15 cents.

5853.—Child's Guimpe Dress. Cut in 7 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 years. Price, 15 cents.

5859.—Girls' Box Jacket. Cut in 6 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 years. Price, 15 cents.

5842.—Ladies' Four-Piece Skirt (forming a Box-Pleat in the front and with a Double Box-Pleated Gore at the Back). Cut in 6 sizes, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32 inches waist measure. Price, 15 cents.

5874.—Misses' Costume. Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

5860.—Ladies' Box Coat. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust meas. Price, 15c.

5856.—Ladies' Eton (with two styles of Collar). Cut in 7 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

5845.—Child's Dress. Cut in 6 sizes, 6 months, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years. Price, 15 cents.

5880.—Ladies' Basque (having an extra Under-arm Piece for stout figures—with or without Byron Collar). Cut in 10 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48 and 50 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

5815.—Girls' Dress. Cut in 6 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 years. Price, 15 cents.

5905.—Ladies' Waist. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust meas. Price, 15 cents.

5903.—Misses' Skirt (having Circular Flounce and Full Length Front Gore). Cut in 7 sizes, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

5886.—Girls' Guimpe Dress. Cut in 6 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 years. Price, 15 cents.

5894.—Misses' Shirt Waist (with or without Bolero—to be made with or without Fitted Lining). Cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 15 cents.

5881.—Ladies' Waist. Cut in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. Price, 15 cents.

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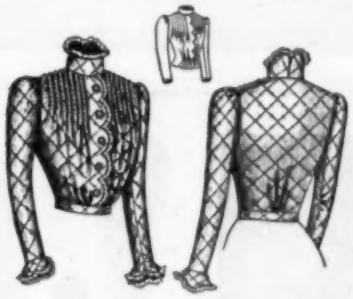

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5760.—Misses' Fancy Collars. Cut in 7 sizes, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Price, 10 cents.

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"HOW TO USE A McCALL BAZAR PATTERN"

The simplest and easiest understood of any paper pattern in the market.

On all The McCall Bazar Patterns the following symbols or crosses are punched in each pattern as hereby designated, and notches like this < are punched in each pattern to show how it is put together:

✚ (one cross) and a perforation indicates where the garment is to be pleated;
✚✚ (two crosses) show where the garment is to be gathered;
✚✚✚ (three crosses) show where there is no seam and to cut on the fold of the material.

After you use the first pattern all other McCall Bazar Patterns will be easily understood.

BY THE aid of a good pattern, dressmaking becomes a very simple art. For this purpose the celebrated McCALL BAZAR PATTERNS are superior in every respect. In fact, many ladies invariably refer to them as "*the reliable patterns.*" Not only is a perfect fit guaranteed (if a proper size is selected), but the appearance of any figure is sure to be improved by wearing a bodice cut after these designs. They are made with curved seams perfectly adapted to the human form. A garment may be fitted by a McCALL BAZAR PATTERN with none of the troublesome alterations and guesswork that are absolutely necessary when one of the many carelessly cut patterns, now upon the market, is employed.

Another great point in favor of THE McCALL BAZAR PATTERNS is the ease with which they may be put together without possibility of mistake. The whereabouts of all pleats, gathers, darts, etc., are plainly marked by crosses and perforations (✚ O). For instance:

✚ (one cross) and a perforation indicates where the garment is to be pleated;
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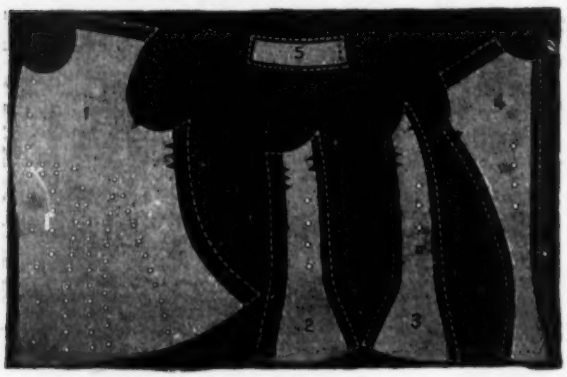
All seams are very carefully notched (>) to show how they are to be put together. Every separate piece of the pattern is perforated by a line of large perforations to mark the position in which the pattern is to be laid on the material, while the written directions that appear on each envelope are so simple that they cannot be misunderstood by the merest novice. For ladies, we cut each pattern in 6 or more sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. If the pattern is suitable for stout figures two or more extra sizes are cut and for some special designs an extra under-arm piece is provided. For misses, patterns are cut in 5 sizes, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 years. Girls patterns, 7 sizes, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 years. Children's, 6 sizes, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 years. Infants', 6 months and one year. Ladies' capes, collarettes, etc., are cut in three sizes, small, medium and large.

To make a garment, take one of the patterns, double your lining, pin on the pattern and carefully trace around it with a tracing wheel, allowing half an inch or more extra outside the tracing for seams excepting at the neck and arm-hole; at the shoulder and under-arm seams, allow one inch in case of alteration, where inturns are allowed, trace through perforations, then cut the lining. For full-busted figures, a dart should be taken up in the front of the lining only, as indicated by the perforations. Lay the lining on the material doubled, and cut the material the same size as the lining. Baste lining and material together on the tracing for a guide to sew by, this retains the shape of the pattern. The lining should be basted a trifle fuller lengthwise than the material near the waist line. Next baste your garment closely, with the exception of the shoulder and under-arm seams, which should be pinned on the outside. It is now ready for fitting. Try on and pin the garment together at tracing on the front, and shape to the figure. If the garment is too tight or too loose alter it where the large seams are on the shoulder and under-arm seams, but never alter the darts or side seams and do not cut off the darts until the garment is fitted. Before making the collar, fit the stiffening and shape it to the neck when fitting, and put a tracing where it sews on. When your seams are stitched they should be notched and thoroughly pressed open. Put bone casings on very full, and if bones are used they should be soaked to make them pliable enough to bear the needle. Put the inner seam of the sleeve to the notch in the arm hole. Sleeves can be lengthened or shortened by adding to or taking from top or bottom edges an equal amount. Skirts should be lengthened or shortened at the bottom only. Do not forget to **allow all seams for making.** In cutting always double the material. Place both right sides together. Care should be taken to have the material run the same way. Cloth should be cut with the nap running down, velvet up. To match figured or striped goods, pin the figures together before cutting. The secret of dressmaking is in careful basting and pressing.



A FAC-SIMILE OF THE MODEL OF THE McCALL BAZAR PATTERNS.
How to lay pattern on the lining and tracing lines showing how to allow for seams.

Observe the Following Directions in Putting a McCall Bazar Pattern Together:

No. 1 indicates—the front piece.
No. 2 indicates—the under-arm piece.
No. 3 indicates—the side-back piece.
No. 4 indicates—the back piece.
No. 5 indicates—the collar piece.
No. 6 indicates—the upper-sleeve piece.
No. 7 indicates—the under-sleeve piece.

The seven small holes in piece No. 1, at the bust, indicates a dart to be taken up in lining only for full-busted figures.

The seven holes running near front edge from neck to waist indicate the inturn or hem.

The notches in piece No. 1, at the arm-hole, where to place the inner seam of sleeve.

Observe the artistic curves, fine proportions, French darts and beautifully shaped front—all of **The McCALL Bazar Patterns** are cut by this model—and if proper size is selected, a beautiful and perfect-fitting garment will be the result.

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Back view ready for fitting.

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We will then send you, charges paid, the supporters. When you have sold them you send us the money and obtain your premium *WHICH WE SEND TO YOU, FREIGHT CHARGES PREPAID ANYWHERE IN THE UNITED STATES. SO, FROM FIRST TO LAST, YOU DO NOT INVEST A PENNY OF YOUR OWN MONEY.*

You take no risk. We trust you with our goods and take back what you can't sell. We have premiums for selling one-half dozen up to one gross. We send a large premium list with first lot, containing over 100 offers, all useful as well as ornamental; and we wish you especially to note that when you have earned the premium, it is sent to you *PREPAID*, if you live in the *U. S.* So you are actually out only your time. Such an offer has never been made *BEFORE.*

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